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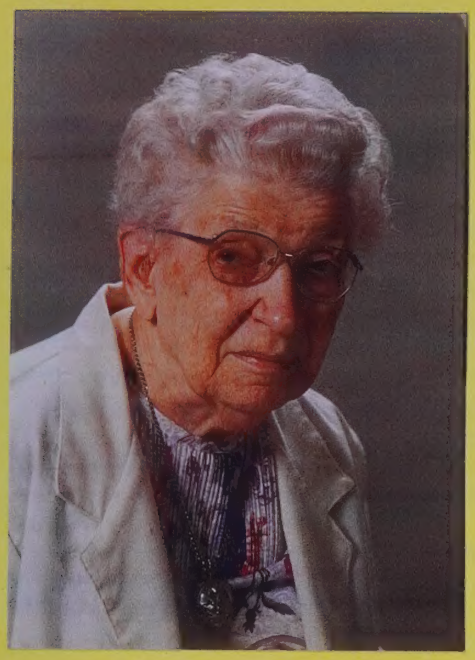

March 31, 1911
March 28, 2001

Philamena Cousins Mary
Marjorie
Dorothy
Urbine

taken at St. Mary's Convent

Sister Alma Louise

Mary Louise Fitch

SISTER M. ALM LOUISE, Mary Louise Fitch
1911-2001

Sister Alma Louise is dead. Those who knew her need no memento. Those who did not cannot understand the loss - even after a memento. (Nevertheless, I'm going to try, so sit back and relax.) Alma Louise followed the simple way of a Catholic woman and a Sister of the Holy Cross that was marked for her in decisions made from the day she was born on March 31, 1911, to John Parker Fitch and his wife Mary Alma Urbine on a farm in Huntertown, Indiana, near Fort Wayne. She and her sister, Philomena, were the only children born to that family. Then John Fitch's sister died and left two young daughters, Marjorie and Dorothy Urbine. John and Mary Alma Fitch brought them home. The family now numbered four children. Interestingly enough, Mary Louise and Dorothy became close and Marjorie and Philomena, relationships that persisted for the rest of their lives. Thus early in life she learned the importance of caring for others.

Mary Louise attended Sacred Heart Academy in Fort Wayne. She graduated in 1928 and entered the school of nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital in Fort Wayne, from which she received her diploma in 1932 followed by her Indiana registry and six years later by Illinois registry. By exam she became an X-ray Technologist in 1945 and in 1958 a Medical Record Administrator.

In the meantime her personal life also flowered. In September of 1932, having been "greatly encouraged" by the reception ceremony that August, she applied for entrance into the Sisters of the Holy Cross and entered on January 31, 1933. On the fifteenth of August she received the habit and a name which combined that of her mother and herself, Alma Louise. She made first vows in 1935.

That fall she was sent to Anderson as head nurse but remained for only one year that time. After two years as operating room supervisor at St. Joseph's in South Bend, she was sent to Cairo. During the next nine years, she served in a variety of departments there: operating room supervisor, night supervisor, X-ray supervisor and then for one year as administrator and superior. It was there during one of the horrendous Cairo storms that she slipped on oil in the kitchen and broke her ankle, an ankle that was never properly set. After two years as supervisor of the X-ray department at Our Saviour's in Jacksonville, Illinois. Then it was back to St. John's where she remained for 21 years. Often she used to tell stories of her difficulties in getting doctors to turn in their records. Not too long ago, a sister told me how she finally solved the problem. She made a chart with the doctor's names and outstanding records. As the records came to her she placed a star on the chart. The charts came in! Success!

Then it happened. In 1969, Sister Joan of Arc, who had been archivist since 1952, was chosen to be one of the Sisters to go on the first Moreau pilgrimage. Alma Louise was called from Anderson "to keep things moving" while Joan of Arc was abroad. When she returned, Joan of Arc was asked to organize the expansion of the business office which became Campus Management Services. So Alma Louise stayed. A third great personality came into Archives and began a new age of organization. A meticulous attention to detail and a love of statistics combined with a gift of almost absolute concentration and an alert inquiring mind made her a marvelous person for the archives, especially when Mother Olivette, superior general, appointed her predecessor, Mother Kathryn Marie as archivist. Mother did know history, but her passion seemed to be a clean desk and an almost Victorian sense of propriety.

Alma, meantime, as records manager in the Archives, continued to expand the work begun by Joan of Arc. She put together an index-card file for every living Sister, every deceased Sister, and every former one; began a file folder for every deceased Sister, including a sheet which included the nature and place of her apostolic service; created a file of Sisters arranged according to the year of her birth - a great boon when the Congregation bought into Social Security; began the cemetery book where every Sister listed in alphabetical order has the year of death and the location of her grave; and continued the other version arranged according to the plots in the cemetery and a list of places away from Saint Mary's where any Sister is buried. When the new

grave markers were ordered, she proof read every stone and then by walking the cemetery, "proofed" them again after they were laid. She began the list of establishments of the Congregation according to state and diocese. The list goes on: sources of vacations by state and country, a roster of family names of anyone who had ever been a member of the Congregation. In doing so she discovered some familial connections that had heretofore been unknown. Her congregational census for each year since 1843 encompasses thirteen large loose-leaf binders. She also began to organize census data by age groups starting with 1843.

She kept abreast of new developments, remaining an active member of Registered Record Librarians and the Association for Health Records, for which she was the director in 1970-1971. When the Midwest Archives Conference was founded in 1972, she immediately became a member and was a speaker at the annual fall meeting in 1976. Representatives from many religious communities wrote to her or came to learn from her whom they considered "someone very competent in the archives field....."

All of this magnificent work was done with a typewriter and the computer of her mind. What could she have done with an electronic one! Much material that has been computerized has been copied from her hand-prepared records.

Every day she also worked at the daily task of the archives. She sorted papers and documents, answered queries that came in whether for academic transcripts from all out closed educational institutions or for genealogical information, she prepared a list of every Sister who had served on each mission and so many other things we do not have time to list. She knew where to get a nurse's pin for a school that had closed or where to buy a nurse's cap.

She loved crossword puzzles. She was very adept at crocheting and knitting. Only God's computer knows how many afghans and baby sets she made! Genealogy was a passion with her. The Fitch family had a reunion almost every year. For years she was the editor of their newsletter. When a cousin in Connecticut obtained a computer he took over the task of editorship. She loved genealogical requests about members of the Congregation and sometimes put cousins in touch with each other. She remembered names and the faces and personalities that accompanied them.

A few years ago, we were given an "Individual Info Sheet" to fill out for the general council. When asked in what area she most wanted to grow, Alma wrote "Whatever the needs of the current projects present themselves. After 40 years plus of fulfilling needs that arise and then be asked by a Regional Superior 'What would you like to do?'. Seems a bit inappropriate."

My personal memories of Alma Louise as a colleague and friend began in 1976 when I came to Saint Mary's to work on a grant from the National Archives. She was most helpful. Knowing I had never done any microfilming, she was quick to suggest that I join MAC and attend the fall meeting with her because she had been asked to give a paper as part of a panel on microfilming. It was a wonderful beginning to many such meetings. On a prop plane we flew to Springfield, where she rented a car "so that we could get to Mass: and also be free to move around. On Saturday afternoon after the meeting we drove north to New Salem so that we could visit the place where Lincoln grew up.

Many more good meetings followed over the years. The spring meeting was always held at the Bismarck on Randolph Street. After the sessions ended at Saturday noon we usually had to wait for the five o'clock train. I remember our walk north to the Magnificent Mile, the tour of the Waterworks and even going through the vertical shopping mall - and walking back to the station. We were both twenty years younger then! One year we went by bus to the Federal Archives on Pulaski to check ship passenger lists from the eighteen-sixties. Alma was thrilled by the many readers and countless rolls of microfilm. We came back by El to Rush-Presbyterian to visit Sister Rose Ellen who had a hip replacement there. In the process we passed South Paulina Street, home of the famous St. Theodore's.

She introduced me to two good restaurants, the Italian Village and the Berghof. Together we discovered the Blackhawk. She decided to take off her veil whenever we went out to dinner - and hence was ready to do so when she got a hering aid. She often ordered what I did - and seemed to like it - whether it was a cocktail or a special entree. I think she enjoyed whatever was. On one occasion, however, even her spunk seemed to give way. We were returning from Montreal and the beatification of Mother Leonie and found ourselves in O'Hare about midafternoon. In the center of the terminal there was, and maybe still is, some sort of restaurant complex and as we walked past we saw there was one window filled with raw oysters. I suggested that we go in. Each of us ordered six on the half shell. Alma gamely ate five - but the sixth she passed to me. She did finish the beer, however.

Until the mid-eighties we were the only two people in the archives. We shared so many things. We found out we had a budget when Alma asked for a new typewriter and was told we had the money. We had not known we had a budget! Together we planned for the first set of moveable space-saving shelves - and dreamed of someday having electric file cabinets that could raise to a comfortable level even the bottom shelf. She brought me articles from her health-related periodicals that she thought I would find pertinent. She made me part of long genealogical research. To find the name of a student who appeared nowhere else she would go through every program we had. Early on, she introduced me to some early characters in our history - like Sister Euphrosine and the famous or infamous Sister Redemption; I also met Frank Clark who had microfilmed the records of countless small small parishes - now part of the collection of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism. She shared with me the joys and wonder of the auction of the family farm.

On the wall of whichever office she currently occupied, Alma had hung two reminders. One was a quotation attributed to Santayana: "Those who do not learn from the past are doomed to repeat it" and a more personal one, "Be patient. God isn't finished with me yet." On Wednesday God admired the finished product and came for her. Think of all the answers she has learned!

Sister M. Campion Kuhn, CSC March 29, 2001

I have come that you may have life
and have it to the full.

John 10:10

Sister M. Alma Louise (Mary Louise Fitch), CSC
born March 31, 1911,

entered the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross
from Fort Wayne, Indiana, and
made first profession August 15, 1935,

died at Saint Mary's Convent, Notre Dame, Indiana
on March 28, 2001.

Let us join together in prayer for her.

Sister Aline Marie, CSC
President
Sisters of the Holy Cross
Notre Dame, Indiana

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"In the waters of baptism she died with Christ and rose with Christ to new life . . . ."

Roman Rite of Christian Funerals

12-06 or 07 -97

Services today for Dr. Kenneth Fitch

Kenneth D. Fitch, formerly of Garrett, died at his home in Wheat Ridge, Colo., last weekend.

Dr. Fitch was born Nov. 7, 1927, at the home of his parents, Oscar Filmore Fitch and Maurine Anise (Little) Fitch. His grandfather, Tracy C. Little, founded The Garrett Clipper. His mother, Mrs. Oscar Fitch, taught school in Garrett and was Garrett Public Library librarian for many, many years. Dr. Fitch graduated from Garrett High School in 1945 and married Wilma L. (Sue) Smith, also of Garrett, in 1949. Two daughters were born to Dr. and Mrs. Fitch; Sue Ann Fitch, now of Grand Lake, Colo., and Sandra Jean Fitch Colby, now of Arvada, Colo.

Dr. Fitch, who recently celebrated his 70th birthday, was also a 1950 graduate of Purdue University with a B.S. in Agriculture, and he received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from Ohio State University in 1955. He served from 1946-47 in WW II in the Philippines, and was a member of the Colorado American Legion, FVW, BPO Elks and the Garrett Masons. He practiced veterinary medicine in Wheat Ridge, Colo., from 1955 until his recent death.

Dr. Fitch was divorced from his wife, now Mrs. Clayton D. Sites, in 1959. Mrs. Sites also lives in Wheat Ridge, Colo. He is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law and five grandchildren, Heidi, Peter, Ryan and Shannon Horton, and Tyler Colby, all of Colorado. Dr. Fitch was preceded in death by his parents and his older brother, O. Alan Fitch, as well as numerous other relatives in the Garrett/Auburn area.

At his request, Dr. Fitch was cremated. Services are to be held at the Arvada, Colo., Wilmore-Richter American Legion Post No. 161 at 11 a.m. today.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to your local pet shelter or museum.

Fitch, Oscar Alan

March 3, 1991

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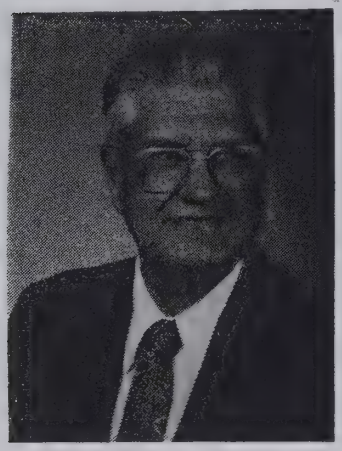
Services today for O. Alan Fitch



Oscar Alan Fitch, 65, died March 3 at 7 a.m. following an auto accident in Indianapolis involving a drunken driver. The driver of the other vehicle is being held while charges are pending.

O. Alan Fitch was born on Aug. 18, 1925 in Garrett to Oscar and Maurine (Little) Fitch. His mother is currently residing at Miller's Merry Manor in Garrett.

Also surviving are his wife, Beverly (Bowser) Fitch, of Indianapolis; three daughters by his second marriage, Lianne Donald, Angela Butler and Teresa Worrell; one brother, Kenneth D. Fitch, D.V.M., of Denver, Colo.; two nieces, Sue Fitch-Horton and Sandra Colby, both of Denver; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Fitch was a 1943 graduate of Garrett High School. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and graduated from Purdue University in 1950. Mr. Fitch was a mechanical engineer for Bryant Manufacturing Company, Indianapolis.

Services were this morning at 11 a.m. at Conkle Funeral Home, 4925 West 16th Street, Speedway, with burial in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis. Memorial Services will be held at the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. William R. Haworth officiating on Saturday, March 9, at 10:30 a.m.

Fitch, Sarah Josephine

Sept. 5, 1991

Services held for Sarah Fitch, 80

9-5-91

Sarah Josephine Fitch, 80, died Thursday at 1:15 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Services were Saturday at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, vith Rev. Stevan Haiflich, pas-or of the Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett.

The family has requested preferred memorials to the DeKalb County Heart Fund or the Norris Chapel Church.

Mrs. Fitch was born Sept. 29, 1910, in Noble County to Alexander and Lydia (Lake) Kistler. She and Cecil Fitch were married on Nov. 16, 1935, in Avilla. He preceded her in death on Aug. 19, 1988. She was a homemaker and worked with her husband for the American Breeders Service.

Survivors include one son, Ricahrd of Noblesville; one daugher, Glenda Walberry of Huntington; and nine grand-children. Two brothers, William and Floyd Kistler, preceded her in death.

FITCH, NANCY DAVIS

Oct.22, 1979

10-22-79

Former teacher dies in Marion

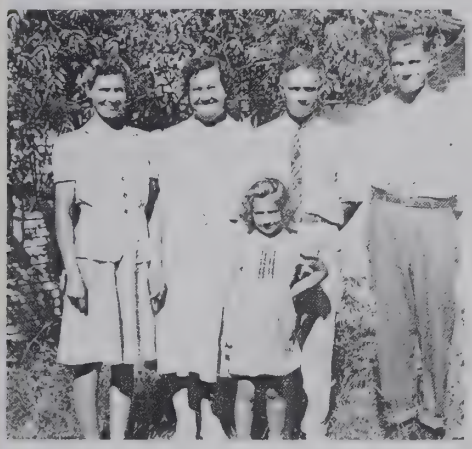
Mrs. Nancy Davis Fitch, former well-known and liked history and dramatics teacher at Garrett High School in the 1920's-30's-40's died Monday in Marion General Hospital after a lengthy illness.

She was 84 years old and is survived by her husband, Ivan, brother of former Garrett Chief of Police Oscar Fitch. They had celebrated their fifty-first wedding anniversary July 18.

People attending the funeral from Garrett were Mrs. George Wyatt and Mrs. Oscar Fitch, both sisters-in-law of Mrs. Fitch. Also attending from Denver, Colo, was a great niece, Sandy Fitch Colby.

DALE V. KISTLER

Dale Vernon Kistler and Lottie Louise (Fitch) were married on June 3, 1922. They lived in Allen County, then about four years later they moved to LaOtto, later to Allen township, Noble County and in 1938 they moved to a farm near Avilla. In 1953 they moved to the Sacred Heart Home where Dale helped with the farming and Lottie helped with the housekeeping.



Dorothy Owen, Lottie Kistler, Dale Kistler and Marilyn Gay.

Dale was born in Cromwell on January 17, 1903 to Adam and Elnora (Hershey) Kistler. Dale spent his childhood around the Cromwell area. Lottie was born in Wisconsin on May 26, 1905 to Oliver J. and Loretta (Stokes) Jenson Fitch.

Dale and Lottie had three children. Dorothy Louise was born March 16, 1923 and married Ted Owen of Swan township on December 28, 1940. They had four children William Francis born December 25, 1944. Sandra Lee born August 8, 1947, Linda Sue born January 18, 1950, and Stanley Lynn was born December 25, 1956.

Ronald Paul Kistler was born on December 16, 1926 and married Sabina Elizabeth Busch on February 12, 1956. They have three children, Denise Marie born June 23, 1958, Ronda Sue (Kistler) Glowaty born June 23, 1960, and Gordon Paul born June 6, 1964.

Marilyn Jane Kistler was born on January 7, 1939 and married Max Eugene Gay on August 17, 1956. They have five children, Gregory Allen was born November 1, 1958, Pamela Lynne (Gay) Akers was born on March 6, 1960. Roger Wayne was born November 18, 1962, Jeffery Eugene was born June 15, 1966 and Shawn Jason was born February 8, 1975.

Dale had eleven brothers and sisters and a cousin, Sarah Josephine (Kistler) Fitch, who his parents raised. His brothers are: Harley Kistler, Emery Kistler, Orville Kistler, and there was a set of twin brothers that died at birth. His sisters are: Zelda (Kistler) Longnecker Erickson, Nellie (Kistler) Godfrey Moon, Pearle (Kistler) Snoke, Daisy (Kistler) Armstrong, Ilene (Kistler) Longnecker, and Madeline Kistler who died when young.

Dale's grandparents are Jacob and Rebecca (Phillips) Kistler. They were married in Whitley County.

Lottie's family originally came from Wisconsin. She had two brothers, Cecil Fitch who was born in DeKalb County Indiana and Glenn Fitch who was born in Wisconsin and now lives in Fort Wayne. She had a sister Icle (Fitch) Burcloss who was born in DeKalb County. Lottie also had a step-sister Leah Jenson and twin step-brothers Bill and Willis Jenson.

Lottie and Dale enjoyed farm life and raised chickens, rabbits, hogs, sheep and ran a dairy farm. Dale did some custom farm work around the Avilla area. Lottie liked having parties and was a Stanley Products distributor.

They lived a full and happy life. In the summer they always went fishing either in Wisconsin or Canada. They usually went with some of their children and their spouses. This was always the highlight of their life.

A few new items we found out about the "olden days" ...

When Belle Fitch (wife of John Fitch) was teaching she taught at School No. 4 which was on the road which we now call 68 and across from the old Kelham house. Warren said she lived with the Kelhams while she was teaching. She probably was not yet married and her home would have been on the Hollopeter Road in Cedar Creek Township.

Belle was born about 1875 so would probably have been in the 1890's when she was a teacher.

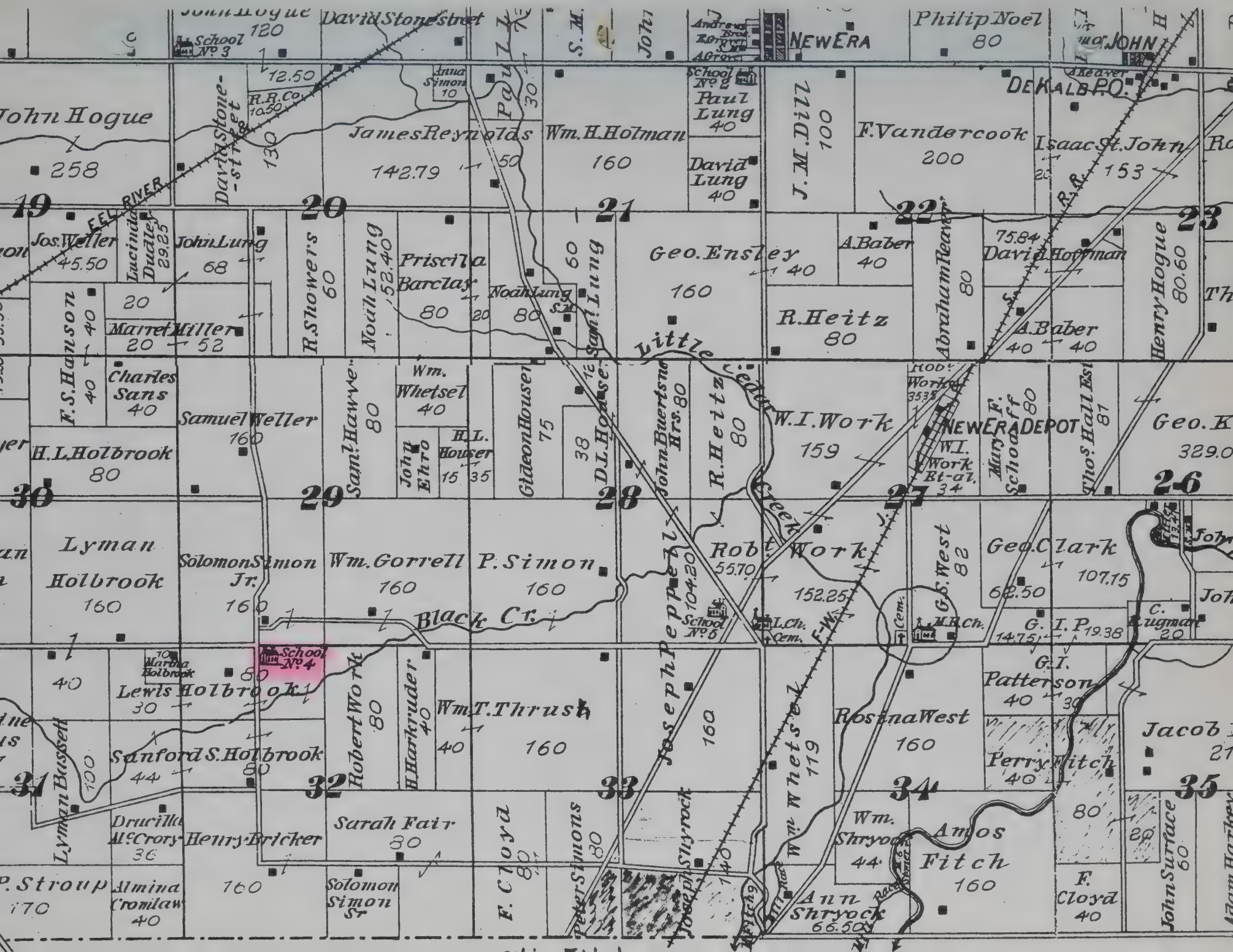
Albert Thrush told Warren that the Holbrook's owned quite a bit of land in those days, and they had a family burial plot with about 7 headstones and a fence around it and someone got angry with one of them and tore down the fence and threw the stones in the creek. Looks like Black Creek ran right through their property. (Reported it was someone of the Kelham family)

About 1885 School No. 4 was on Holbrook property. The Kelham house at that time belonged to Solomon Simon. Albert said they got it from the Holbrooks, so perhaps one of them bought it from Simon.

When we were young and running around the Kelham house was built out of grey stonework. Our friend Pat lived there with her brothers and her parents Joe and Jeanette in the house in the 40s. Joe's father was Ed Kelham and probably his mother was Maude Kelham. Jeanette's parents were Saylors and they lived in Huntertown on the main street. So probably Belle Hollopeter (Fitch, later) was staying at the home of Ed and Maude Kelham while she was teaching.

It was at the Kelham's that we would congregate on Sunday afternoons to play basketball in the barn.

IN 2006 the house was gone. It appears that Rd 68 and the N&S Rd past the Kelham house are not as the were in our day. Not sure if the grey house was as early as the 1880's or not. 1880 mp shows Roads were not as they are Now.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These maps show us some interesting things. ....

Highway 27 did not run perfectly straight as it does now. Also note the roads running through the Otis Fitch Farm. There was a road continuing on from the East/West road that was south of the Fitch house. This road runs along the south fence of the old orchard, along the edge of the woods and straight on back to the railroad, and then beyond that it goes to 27 and meets up there. Along this road at that time (1880s) stood the house that was destined to be the barn on the Otis Fitch farm. It was just before you reached the railroad. When we were roaming the land as teenagers the foundation was still in evidence. I don't know if any of it shows now or not. Back along this fence row there are still old apple trees, probably their old orchard. We are a little uncertain just who lived in the house. The story was told that the people of the house all died and then they eventually moved the house up to the front of the property and used it for a barn. It finally fell down in April of 1997 when we had a storm front blow in with 60 mph winds that gusted for about 24 hours.

But it would appear that there was a triangle of land by the road and that the road to the Thrushes would have cut right through where the house now stands and met up with the road that went on through to highway 27. Sometime we need to sight just where that road would have gone through. In the 1880/5 map there is no house at the place where the Fitch house now stands, so don't know when the first one was built there. All we know is that the house burnt (possibly when Schuyler and Leah Fitch lived there) and then Otis and Esther built their house on the old foundation, adding some new cement work. Schuyler and Leah left for the state of Washington sometime before 1909, though all their children were born in DeKalb County, Indiana.

Also noted at the corner of 68 and 27 where the road is not straight, there was a Lutheran Church and a cemetery. If I read the map right, the cemetery would be right in the back yard of one of the houses built there or possibly in the triangle of land that is still there and wooded.

Opposite that site is School House #5 where Warren went to school as a boy.

And down road 68 you will find Cedar Chapel Church and the Cemetery in which a lot of the old folks are buried and many Fitches, Fairs, Delongs, etc. That is where John and Belle are and Otis and Amos and Nancy and their children.

The other way on 68 you will find School House #4 and that is the one in which Belle Hollopeter Fitch did her teaching as a young lady, as she stayed across the road at the Kelhams.

There is a story of Peter Simon who had an ashery on his 160 acres in Section 28. One of Abraham Fair's stories I think, about a honey tree. He had an ashery, no doubt a place where potash or

lye was made.

Some of the old names that are still in existance or were in our younger days at least are the Thrushes, the Holbrooks, the Hogues, the Stonestreets, the Lungs.

Also School #3 which was the Hogue School was another that Warren went to as a boy.

On the second map which is dated about 1950 note these things ...

Homewood Park is the farm that I (Betty Brown) lived on, and dad and mom sold it to this land company that was going to develope it into a housing project. Somehow it never worked out because of drainage problems. At the present time there are only 3 extra homes on it, one in the woods and two at the end of the road in the corners. Yes, and there may be one facing the road the Thrushes lived on.

Little Lake Corporation is now Holiday Lakes, but none of that was there when we were still at home. Most of these people were our neighbors when we lived there.

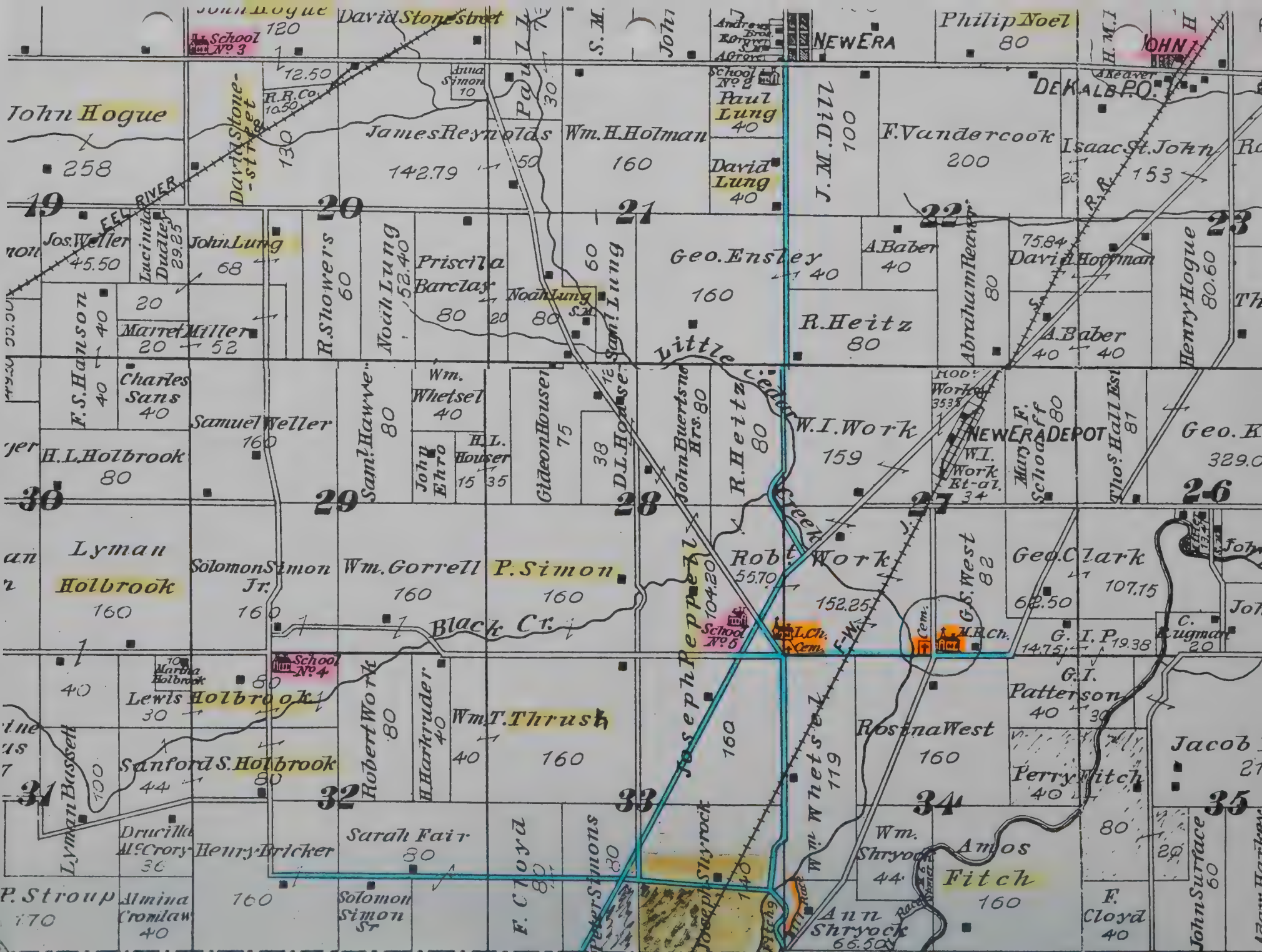
My sister, Lois, went to St. John's to a one room school house there when she was in grade school. The building is still standing.

Ted Bowser is the one who has the plant stand every summer along highway 27. Also not marked on this map is the house we put up for us in 1951/2 and sold to John and Sylvia Myers. I will mark it . It was just an acre that dad gave us out of his farm.

Sincere thanks
for your
lovely gift

Mr + Mrs Robert [illegible]

Elsie Fitch & Husband
Warrens oldest Sister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CAST OF CHARACTERS OF THE LAND DRAMA OF THE FITCH FARM IN DEKALB COUNTY, INDIANA

Peter and Sarah Fair received original land from the U.S. government in 1834. They were early settlers of DeKalb County coming from Montgomery County, Ohio. They were the parents of Abraham Fair, Charles Fair, Henry Fair, Hannah Fair, Peter Fair, John Fair, Jacob Fair, Andrew Fair, Catherine Fair and Michael Fair.

Abraham Fair married Christina DeLong, sister to Sarah who married Nathaniel Fitch.
Henry Fair married Elizabeth. Henry died in 1854 on a trip West. He just never came back.
Charles Fair married Sarah and they are buried in Perry Township Cemetery, Allen County.

Joseph Shyrock was married to Ann and they may be the ones who lived in the house back by the railroad that was moved up to the Otis Fitch farm and used as a barn. The wind finished off this barn in April of 1997. The story we heard was that the people that lived in the house all died of some sickness. Not sure when it was moved up for a barn, but in 1880/5 the house was still back by the railroad and the road connecting the West Road to 11A cut right across the orchard, woods and back to the railroad and then it went on over to highway 27. It is still shown that way on the map and there is no house shown where Otis's house is now.
Looks like the Shyrocks sold the property to the Hoisingtons about 1881 and then to Joseph Pepple in 1883. Possibly could have been rented out to at that time as the Pepples owned other land in the area and may have lived on other property.

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Joseph Pepple was married to Adeline and they had a daughter by the name of Leah L. who married Schuyler Fitch, son of Mathias Fitch. In 1898 Joseph and Adeline Pepple gave Leah 100 acres of the land they had purchased. In 1906 they gave right of way to the Interurban which was transportation from town to town in the area. This ran right in front of Warren's boyhood home. In 1909 Leah sold this property to Mathias and she and Schuyler moved to Washington state, to Seattle.

Schuyler Fitch was the son of Mathias Fitch, and his mother was Frances VanDolah, and his siblings were John B. Fitch, Althea fitch, Beatrice Fitch Leycraft, Bessie Fitch Kell (married Frederick Kell). Beatrice moved to California, and Bessie and Frederick eventually moved over on what we call the Kell Road. Althea never married but lived to be 50 years old.

The following are the children of Mathias Fitch and Frances VanDolah in order of birth:

Mathias married Frances on December 1, 1867. He would have been about 24 years old.

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- Schuyler 1869-1952 Died in Seattle
  - married Leah Pepple born 1871-
- John B. 1872-1947 lived right on the home property all his life
  - married Rosa Belle Hollopeter 1874-1953
- Walter 1874-1902 died of pneumonia
- Bessie 1875-1942
  - married Frederick Kell and lived locally
  - parents of Carolyn Davis, Jake Kell, Mary Ellen Arnold, and Elizabeth DeBolt
- Nathaniel 1877 and lived only 3½ months
- Grace 1878-1879 lived 10 months
- Althea 1880-1930, not married
- Beatrice 1884-1969
  - married Charles Leycraft 1864-1920 and went to California

George DeLong, ~~probably~~ possibly Sarah's brother, born in 1800 and had 2 wives, Rebecca, and Julia Ann ~~DePew~~. Guess it was George & Julia's child Rebecca who married John Depew

Henry Hogue was the administrator for Julia Ann when George died.

George's children:

- Joel DeLong
- Samuel DeLong
- Alexander DeLong
- James DeLong
- Mary Ann DeLong
- Joseph De Long
- Rebecca DeLong

Nathaniel bought some of their land in Allen county, Section 4.

James and Sarah Ensey or Ensley bought 40 acres from the United States and it is probably containing the section where the house now stands. Purchased in July 17, 1836. It changed several hands in a short time. As follows:

- to Henry Rudisell 9-9-1837
- to Henry Hill 3-21-1838
- to John Noel 11-3-1838
- to Henry Fair 3-1-1852

Henry Fair married Elizabeth and had the following children:

- Gabriel
- Mary who married Stephen Hathaway
- Christian N. who married Nathaniel's dau. Francelia
- George W. who married Emma
- Sarah who married John Ross

April 15, 1997 .. As we visited with Dorothy and Albert Thrush this afternoon I should write down what I can remember of our conversations. Albert knows everything about everybody in that area.

One of the first stories that he told Warren and repeated it today was of the Holbrook family and Ira Grogg. He said that back on Black Creek there had been a family cemetery for the Holbrook family and that 8 or 10 tombstones were gathered into a plot with an iron fence around it not far from the Creek. Ira Grogg seemed to have a quick temper and for some reason he got mad at Ports Holbrook and as I guess he was farming the land or perhaps had even purchased it at that time, he took the liberty of taking a chain and he hooked it onto the fence and the stones and pulled them all into Black Creek. Apparently that was a criminal offence and Ports was thinking of making a case against Ira, but one of the Kelhams talked him out of it. Albert says the stones are still in the creek he guessed.

As I remember the Ports Holbrook family, they were always poor and not very well taken care of. Guess they could not have been really poor because they had originally owned a lot of the land around there. There were several boys and Ports wife was different. I am not sure now in what way she was different. Perhaps she did not speak English but they always lived in much confusion. Housekeeping standards would not have met my mother's approval!

The Groggs as I remember were on the elderly side when we were young and they lived back the long lane opposite the Kelhams. Guess I would have to ask Warren if it was Ira that lived there but I know it was one of the Groggs and it was next to the Holbrook land. There was a whole line of pine trees that lined the driveway back to the house.

Albert showed us his family Bible that had belonged to William Thrush. From that I copied the following family history of the Thrushes:

John Thrush died either 4-20-1871 or 3-14-1871 aged 76 years
Sarah Thrush died 3-14/15-1871 at 73 years
That would mean that John was born about 1795 and Sarah born about 1798. A note says they were buried beside a Ferguson family, but doesn't tell where. Albert thinks his family came from Germany to Penn and then on to Indiana. Probably William is son:

William Thrush born 7-5-1830
Sarepta Erickson born 10-30-1830, died 4-23-1897
married December 25, 1856
Albert says they are buried in Perry Township Cemetery

Albert N. Thrush born 2-22-1860
Ella Pepple Jan. 1, 1882.
I believe he said that Ella was a sister to Leah who married Schuyler Fitch. Will check dates to see if that is so.

Walter M. Thrush
Inez Heitz and they were married 9-6-1911

Albert and Ambrose Thrush were twins and born 8-28-1914
Robert Thrush, Bob died fall of 1997
Jack Thrush, a late-comer

Inez was still living when my father's farm was right across the road from their farm. I remember her, but do not remember Walter. He probably was still living in the 1940's but am not sure.

Albert was unaware of John and Sarah Thrush and only knew back to William. The 1880/85 map of the township shows that William was the owner of the land at that time. The 1950s map shows Walter and Inez as owner.

Albert said that when the house that burned down was still standing (which would be on the spot of the present Otis Fitch house) it was rented out. He didn't think that Schuyler and Leah ever actually lived there. Said several families had rented it and it did not burn until some time after Schulyer and Leah went to Washington State and he thinks a family called Nichols might have been living there at the time. Albert can still remember when the road went through to highway 27 so must have still been there in the 1920's perhaps. It was closed before Warren can remember it being open to use and he was born in 1929 and moved out there when he was about 2 or 3. Also Albert remembers the old road at the corner of 68 and 27 and that the Lutheran Church was there and the cemetery. He said they claimed that they moved all the stones from that cemetery to the Cedar Chapel one, but he is not certain of that. He thinks there had been about 50 stones in the cemetery. The whole thing was on the Robert Work farm north of road 68.

Noticed one fact that might be interesting about the Thrushes. In the old Bible the dates given for the death of John and Sarah were on the same day. If so wonder what happened to them. You can always think of a wagon accident or maybe a house that burned. Usually a sickness would not take them in the same day, but it could happen I guess. Makes you think of some kind of violent death and of course we don't know where it happened either as we have no proof right now that they came to Indiana unless we can find the tombstones. They would have been slightly older than Nathaniel, about 10 years or so.

Will have to further check the tombstones at the Perry Township Cemetery Need to look for Thrushes as I did not do that before.

After looking at a 1940 Plat map of DeKalb County, yes, it looks like Ira Grogg bought some of the original Holbrook land and the creek (Black Creek) is running through that land. So he probably thought it was his right to do what he wanted to with the old cemetery. Guess people have always fought like cats and dogs over property.

This is the trip that I took with Karen Fitch from California, another descendant of Thomas Fitch of Norwalk. She wanted to see our Fitch neighborhood of 5 generations. I wrote the words, and took the pictures, but Karen made up the pages on her computer.

This trip was taken in the spring of 2001 when Karen made her tour of the U.S. and stopped here on Mother's Day. As she always says, "Enjoy".

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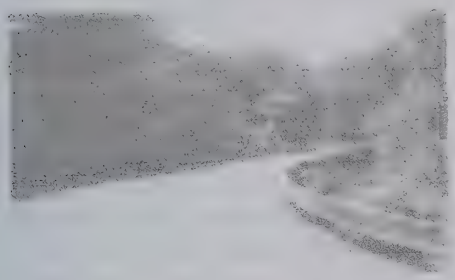

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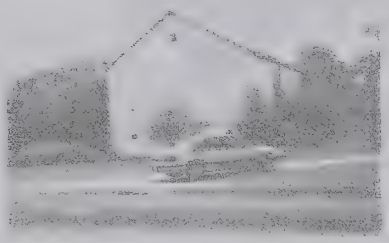

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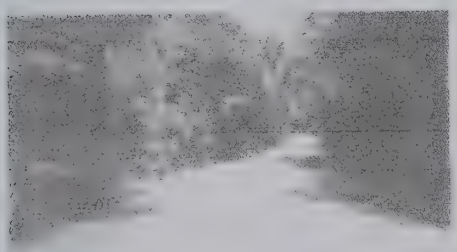

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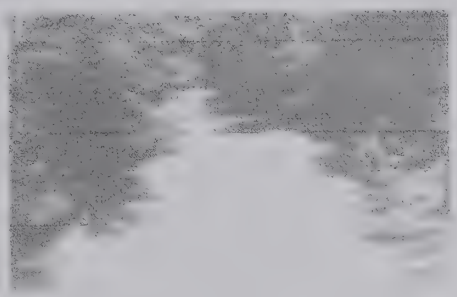

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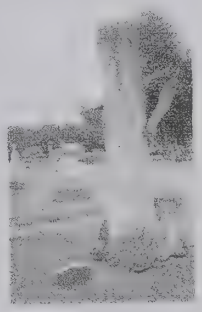

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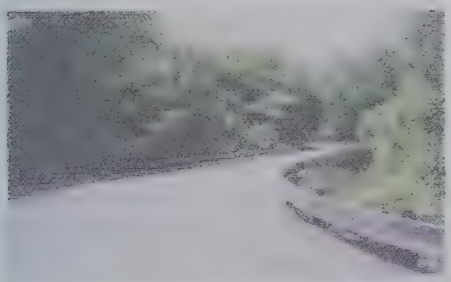

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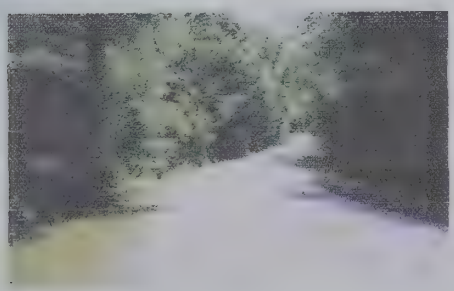

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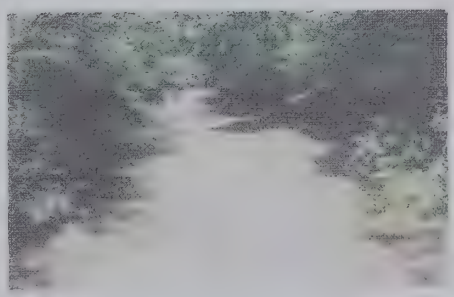

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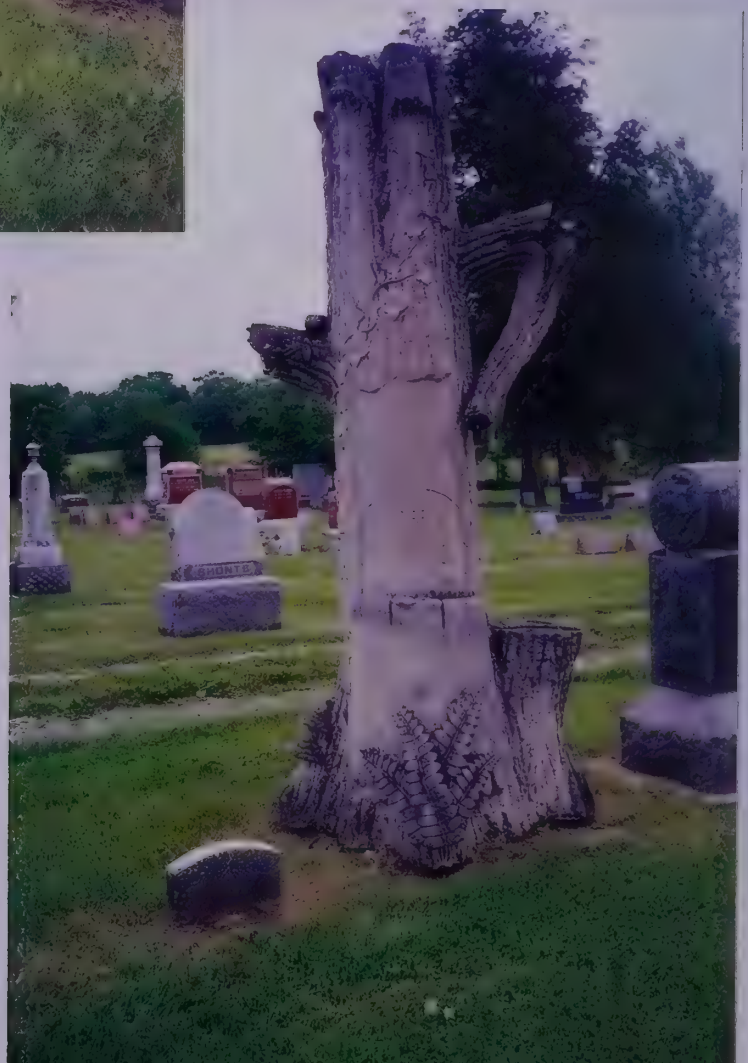

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- his daughter, Ann and Russell Lyon of Huntertown
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- A brother, Thomas Kell
- A great-grandson, Jason Caleb Lyon.

Service is at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in LaOtto, with calling one hour before the service. Calling is also from 2 to 8 p.m. today at Sheets & Childs Funeral Home, Churubusco. Burial at Huntertown Cemetery. Memorials to the church would be appreciated. Condolences to sympathy@sheetsfuneralhome.com

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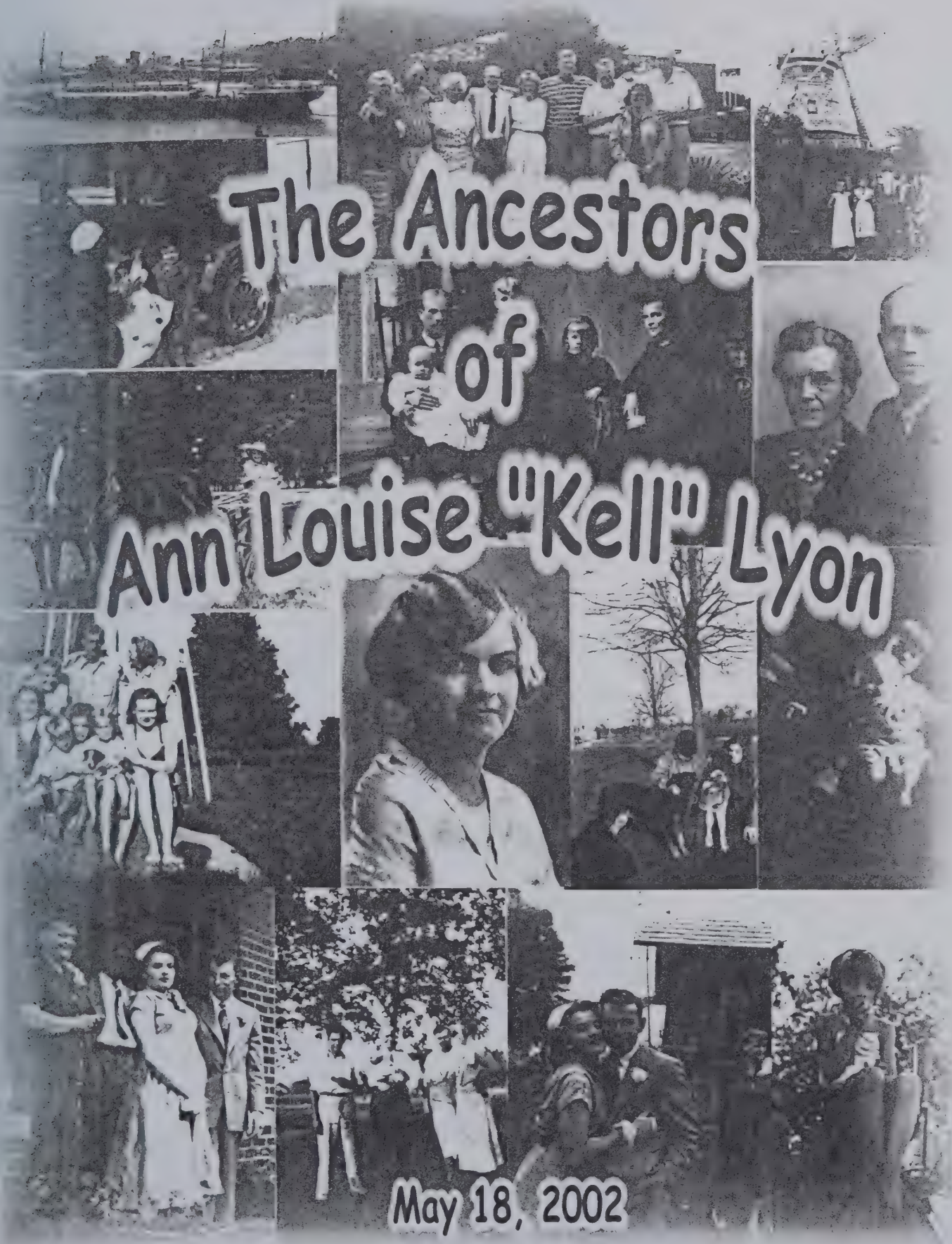

The Ancestors of Ann Louise "Kell" Lyon

May 18, 2002

Detert Luken Aden
&
Anna Frazen
Elsie's parents

Elsie Aden
Kell

New Mr + Mrs
Russell
MAY 18, 1952

Wedding
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Ancestors of Ann Louise Kell

Frederick Jacob "Jake" KELL
Born: 16 Mar 1904 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Married: 15 Nov 1930 in Allen Co., IN

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Carolyn KELL
Born: 08 Jun 1901 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Married: 09 Jun 1923 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Died: 11 May 1995 in Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN
Burial: Covington Gardens Cemetery, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

Sarah "Elizabeth" KELL
Born: 12 Jul 1902 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Married: 07 Jun 1934 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

Mary Ellen KELL
Born: 02 Feb 1907 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Married: 27 Oct 1935 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

Thomas KELL
Born: 09 Nov 1908 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Died: 30 Aug 1910 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Burial: Huntertown Cemetery, Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

Ann Louise KELL
Born: 18 May 1932
Married: May 1952 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Spouse: Russell LYONS

Victor KELL
Born: 10 Dec 1933 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Died: 28 Jan 1934 in Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Burial: Huntertown Cemetery, Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

Jacob (Fred) Frederick KELL
Born: 30 Jul 1935

Elsa (Elsie) Cornelia ADEN
Born: 01 Dec 1903 in Gibson City, Ford Co., IL
Died: 01 May 1987 in Huntertown, Allen Co., IN
Burial: Huntertown Cemetery, Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

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Lorenz (Lawrence) Ermine ADEN
Born: 12 May 1896
Died: 12 Jul 1966 in Cincinnati, Hamilton Co., OH

Toni (Tess) Therese ADEN
Born: 29 Oct 1898 in Guthrie, IL
Died: 02 Mar 1988 in Shady Dale, Jasper Co., GA

Della Amelia ADEN
Born: 23 Nov 1906
Died: 16 Jul 1995 in Elwood, Madison Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec L, lot 123, NW2 grave 1, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

Reneida Louise Christine ADEN
Born: 22 May 1912
Died: Nov 1958
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetery, sec L, lot 176, E-1/2 grave 4, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

Martha Janet Elizabeth ADEN
Born: 04 Mar 1913
Died: 08 Feb 1928 in Allen Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec L, lot 176, E-1/2 grave 1, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

Gretchen Charlotte Adele ADEN
Born: 01 Aug 1917 in IN
Died: 18 Jul 1978 in Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec L, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

Delmar Louis ADEN
Born: 17 Nov 1919 in Allen Co., IN
Died: 14 Apr 1922 in Allen Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec B, row 6, grave 64, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

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Deiert Luken ADEN
Born: 03 Jan 1864 in Ostfriesland, Germany
Married: Bef. 1896
Died: 22 Aug 1954 in Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec L, lot 176, E-1/2 grave 4, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

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Born: 28 Nov 1875 in Plattsmouth, Cass Co., NE
Died: 10 Feb 1944 in Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN
Burial: Old Concordia Lutheran Cemetry, sec L, lot 176, E-1/2 grave 3, Fort Wayne, Allen Co., IN

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Onke FRANZEN
Born: 27 Dec 1873 in Plattsmouth, Cass Co., NE
Died: 14 Sep 1953 in Fairbury, Jefferson Co., NE
Burial: Steele City Cemetery, Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE

Carl Ellert FRANZEN
Born: 19 Dec 1877 in Plattsmouth, Cass Co., NE
Died: 30 Oct 1931 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Burial: Steele City Cemetery, Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE

Jennie (Jane) Katherine FRANZEN
Born: 25 Jan 1880 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Died: 28 Jun 1917 in Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE
Burial: Prairie Home Cemetery, Diller, Jefferson Co., NE

Benjamin (Ben) FRANZEN
Born: 1882 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Died: 1917 in Edgar, Clay Co., NE
Burial: Edgar Cemetery, Edgar, Clay Co., NE

Folkert (Folly) Ellert FRANZEN
Born: 12 Oct 1884 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Died: 17 Jun 1952 in Mesa, Maricopa Co., AZ
Burial: Longview Memorial Park, Longview, Cowlitz Co., WA

Elsie Ora FRANZEN
Born: 28 Nov 1894 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Died: 16 Feb 1985
Burial: Steele City Cemetery, Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE

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Onka FRANZEN
Born: 1793 in Germany
Died: 1881 in Cass Co., NE

Ellert O. FRANZEN
Born: 06 Mar 1844 in Lutetsburg, East Friesland, Hannover, Germany
Married: 1872 in Peoria, IL
Died: 24 Dec 1894 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Burial: Prairie Home Cemetery, Diller, Jefferson Co., NE

Claus FRANZEN
Died: 25 Dec 1910 in Germany

Folena FRANZEN
Born: Abt. 1840 in Lutetsburg, East Friesland, Hannover, Germany

Stientze (Christina) FRANZEN
Born: Abt. 1837 in Lutetsburg, East Friesland, Hannover, Germany
Married: in Cass Co., NE

Franz Onkes FRANZEN
Born: 19 Apr 1846 in Luelesberg, East Friesland, Hannover, Germany
Married: 13 Nov 1874 in Cass Co., NE

Dirk O. FRANZEN
Born: 15 May 1850 in Lutetsburg, East Friesland, Hannover, Germany
Married: 02 Jan 1879 in Cass Co., NE

Jantje FANDERS
Born: in Germany
Died: 1886 in Germany

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Elsie Ora FRANZEN
Born: 28 Nov 1894 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE
Died: 16 Feb 1985
Burial: Steele City Cemetery, Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE

Fuif Benjamin SENIOR
Born: 20 Mar 1832 in Ostfresland, Germany
Died: 03 Feb 1911 in Diller, Jefferson Co., NE

Tomka (Toni) Margarethe SENIOR
Born: 26 Feb 1856 in Ostfriesland, Germany
Died: 13 Mar 1934 in Steele City, Jefferson Co., NE
Burial: Prairie Home Cemetery, Diller, Jefferson Co., NE

Antje SENIOR
Born: 1859 in Ostfriesland, Germany
Died: 1921 in Peoria, Peoria Co., IL

(Wife) FOLKERTS
Born: Abt. 1836 in Germany
Died: Bef. 1872 in Germany

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William FONNER
Born: Abt. 1765
Married: Abt. 1788
Died: Abt. 1826 in Morris Twp., Greene Co., PA

Sarah FONNER

Elizabeth FONNER

Henry FONNER

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John FONNER
Born: 1788 in NJ
Died: Sep 1852 in Root Twp., Adams Co., IN
Burial: Alpha Methodist Episcopal Church Cemetery, Root Twp., Adams Co., IN

Henry FONNER
Born: Abt. 1788 in NJ
Died: 27 Sep 1851 in Richhill Twp., Greene Co., PA
Burial: Fonner Cemetery, Bristoria, Greene Co., PA

Rayaneer FONNER

James FONNER
Born: Abt. 1794 in PA
Died: 19 Mar 1874 in Morris Twp., Greene Co., PA
Burial: Old Bates Fork Baptist Cemetery, Swarts, PA

Christena FONNER
Born: 07 Mar 1800 in PA
Died: 04 Nov 1864 in Morris Twp., Greene Co., PA

Catherine [-?-]
Born: Abt. 1765
Died: Bet. 1805 - 1810 in Greene Co., PA

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Catherine "Mary" FONNER
Born: 19 Apr 1828 in Greene Co., PA
Died: 05 Mar 1912 in At the home of daugher Bertha, Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN
Burial: 07 Mar 1912 Huntertown Cemetery, Perry Twp., Allen Co., IN

William FONNER
Born: 26 Jun 1821 in Greene Co., PA
Died: 21 Jun 1888 in Marion Twp., Allen Co., IN
Burial: Bethel Cemetery, Marion Twp., Allen Co., IN

John A. FONNER
Born: 11 Sep 1826 in Greene Co., PA
Died: 13 Sep 1887 in Adams Co., IN

John "Jacob" FONNER
Born: 1830 in Greene Co., PA

Margaret J. FONNER
Born: 1834 in Athens Co., OH

Anne M. FONNER
Born: 1839 in Athens Co., OH

Adaline FONNER
Born: 1844 in Root Twp., Adams Co., IN

Nicholas CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1739 in Germany
Died: in Near Roseberry Fork Of Ten Mile Creek, Greene Co., PA

John CROUSE
Born: Bet. 1765 - 1774 in Carlisle, Cumberland Co., PA
Died: in Luray, Clark Co., MO

William CROUSE
Born: Bet. 1765 - 1774

Jacob CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1767

Samuel CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1769

Julia CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1767

Mary CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1769

George CROUSE
Born: 17 Sep 1776

Elizabeth CROUSE
Born: Bef. 1778

Eva KROP
Born: Bef. 1743 in Carlisle, Cumberland Co., PA
Died: Abt. 1790 in Ten Mile Creek, Greene Co., PA

Mary CROUSE
Born: 22 Sep 1799 in Lancaster Co., PA
Died: 01 Feb 1855 in Root Twp., Adams Co., IN
Burial: Monmouth Cemetery, Monmouth, Root Twp., Adams Co., IN

John CROUSE

Margaret CROUSE

Catherine CROUSE

Josephine CROUSE

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Ancestors of Ann Louise Kell

The person who did this copied from on line gen. that was incorrect. looks like it may be Marge Gray

No info found on a John son of John

John FITCH
Born: Abt. 1720 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Bef. 17 Feb 1748 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Matthew FITCH
Born: 1708

Theophilus FITCH
Born: 1709

Bushnell FITCH
Born: 1711

Rebecca FITCH
Born: 1713

Lydia FITCH
Born: 1717

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This should be son of Nathaniel

John b 1633
Nath b 1682
John b 1710
John b 1737
Nath b 1782
Nath b: 1806

John FITCH b. 1737 d. 1815
Born: 11 Jan 1745 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Married: 06 Nov 1766 in Congregational Church, Weston, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 15 May 1832 in CT
Burial: CT

Nathaniel FITCH 1735-1766
Born: 1741 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Bef. 25 Mar 1786 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Elizabeth FITCH m. David King
Born: Abt. 1746 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Susannah FITCH
Born: Abt. 1747 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Bef. 1766

Elizabeth HANFORD
Born: Abt. 1720 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Aft. 27 Feb 1748

INCORRECT

Nathaniel FITCH
Born: 12 Feb 1782 in Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT
Married: 29 Aug 1801 in Falls Twp., Wyoming Co., PA
Died: 14 Sep 1839 in Wyoming Co., PA
Burial: 1839 Roberts Cemetery, Falls Twp., Wyoming Co., PA

John FITCH
Born: Abt. 1768 in CT
Died: 1792 in Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT

Gideon FITCH
Born: 1771 in Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT
Married: in Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 17 Feb 1843 in Luzerne Co., PA
Burial: Fitch Cemetery, Lockville, Wyoming Co., PA

William S. FITCH ?
Born: 1774 in CT
Married: Bef. 1818 in CT

Joseph LOCKWOOD

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John LOCKWOOD
Born: 01 Jul 1713 in Fairfield Co., CT

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Elizabeth LOCKWOOD
Born: 13 Mar 1748 in Fairfield Twp., Fairfield, CT
Died: Bef. 1784 in CT

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Gideon MOREHOUSE

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Abigail MOREHOUSE
Born: 01 Jul 1713 in Fairfield Co., CT

Isabelle [?-]

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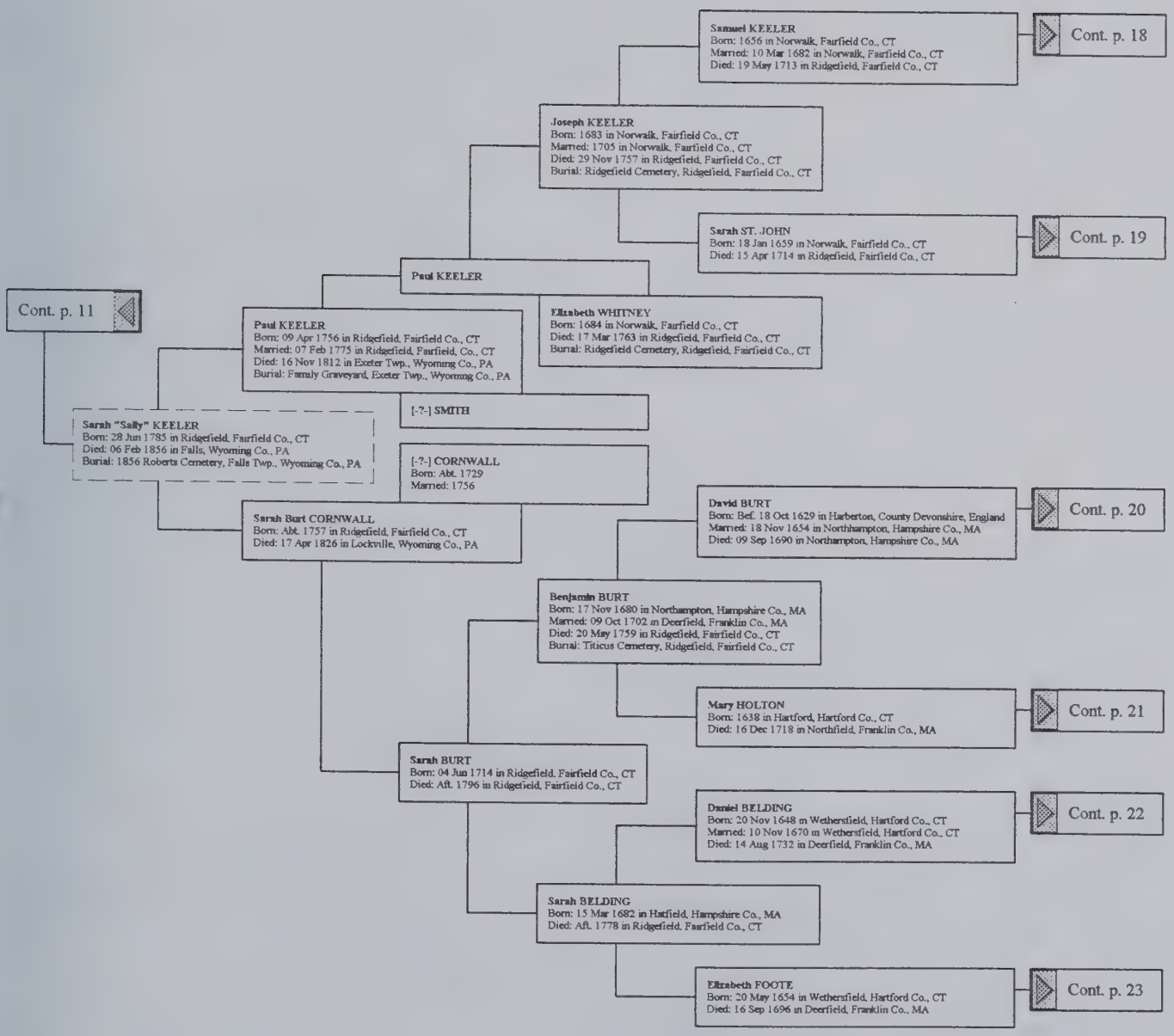

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John b 1633
Nath b 1682
John b. 1710

John, b abt 1710 was the son of Nathaniel not John

John FITCH
Born: 1633 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Died: Aft. 1704 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Ann FITCH

Sarah FITCH

Thomas FITCH
Born: 1630 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Married: Abt. 1662
Died: 1684 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Mary FITCH
Born: 1643
Died: 25 Dec 1730

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John FITCH
Born: 29 Sep 1677 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 1748 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Rebecca FITCH
Born: 15 Jan 1680 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Nathaniel FITCH
Born: 06 Nov 1682 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Bef. 20 Jun 1743 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Mary FITCH
Born: 13 Dec 1684 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Henry LINDALL
Born: Abt. 1632 in New Haven, New Haven Co., CT
Died: 27 Sep 1660 in New Haven, New Haven Co., CT

Rebecca LINDALL
Born: 20 Oct 1653 in New Haven, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Aft. 1704 in CT

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John FITCH 1710
Born: Abt. 1720 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Bef. 17 Feb 1748 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Matthew FITCH
Born: 1708

Theophilus FITCH
Born: 1709

Bushnell FITCH
Born: 1711

Rebecca FITCH
Born: 1713

Lydia FITCH
Born: 1717

Lt. William BUSHNELL
Born: 03 Feb 1611 in Horsham, County Sussex, England
Married: Abt. 1643
Died: 12 Dec 1683 in Saybrook Colony (Old Saybrook since 1854), Middlesex Co., CT

Richard BUSHNELL
Born: Bet. 1618 - 1623 in Horsham, County Sussex, England
Married: 11 Oct 1648 in Hartford, Hartford Co., CT
Died: 17 Jul 1660 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

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Francis BUSHNELL
Born: 06 Jan 1650 in Saybrook Colony (Old Saybrook since 1854), Middlesex Co., CT
Married: 12 Oct 1675 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 04 Oct 1697 in Danbury, Fairfield Co., CT

Rebecca CHAPMAN
Born: 1617 in England
Died: 14 May 1703 in Saybrook Colony (Old Saybrook since 1854), Middlesex Co., CT

Lydia BUSHNELL
Born: Abt. 1683 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 25 Aug 1786 in New Canaan, Fairfield Co., CT

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Thomas SEYMOUR
Born: 1632
Married: 05 Jan 1654 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: 22 Sep 1712 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Hannah SEYMOUR
Born: 12 Dec 1654 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Died: Abt. 1723 in Danbury, Fairfield Co., CT

Hannah MARVIN
Born: 01 Oct 1633 in Great Bentley, County Essex, England
Died: Abt. 1681 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

Marie "Mary" MARVIN
Born: 15 Dec 1628 in Great Bentley, County Essex, England
Died: 26 Mar 1713 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT

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John BURT

Henry BURT
Born: 1567 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England
Died: 19 Jul 1617 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England

Henry BURT
Born: 1595 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England
Married: 28 Dec 1619 in Dean Prior Parish, County Devonshire, England
Died: 30 Apr 1662 in Springfield, Hampden Co., MA

Isett [-?-]
Born: 1571 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England
Died: 08 Jul 1630 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England

David BURT
Born: Bef. 18 Oct 1629 in Harberton, County Devonshire, England
Married: 18 Nov 1654 in Northhampton, Hampshire Co., MA
Died: 09 Sep 1690 in Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA

William MARCHE

Richard MARCHE
Born: 1566 in Sherford, County Devonshire, England
Died: 29 Apr 1612 in Stockenham, County Devonshire, England

Alice [-?-]

Eulalia MARCH
Born: 28 Dec 1609 in Sherford, County Devonshire, England
Died: 19 Aug 1690 in Springfield, Hampden Co., MA

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Robert MARTYN

Joane MARTYN
Born: Abt. 1570 in Sherford, County Devonshire, England
Died: 21 May 1616 in Sherford, County Devonshire, England

Joane [-?-]

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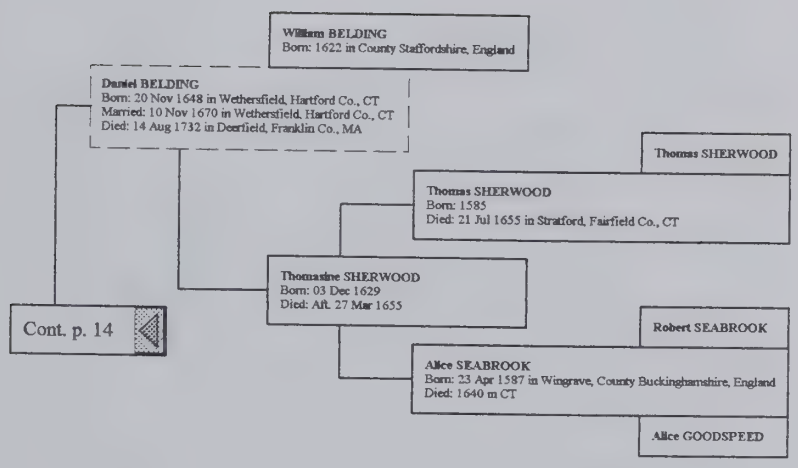

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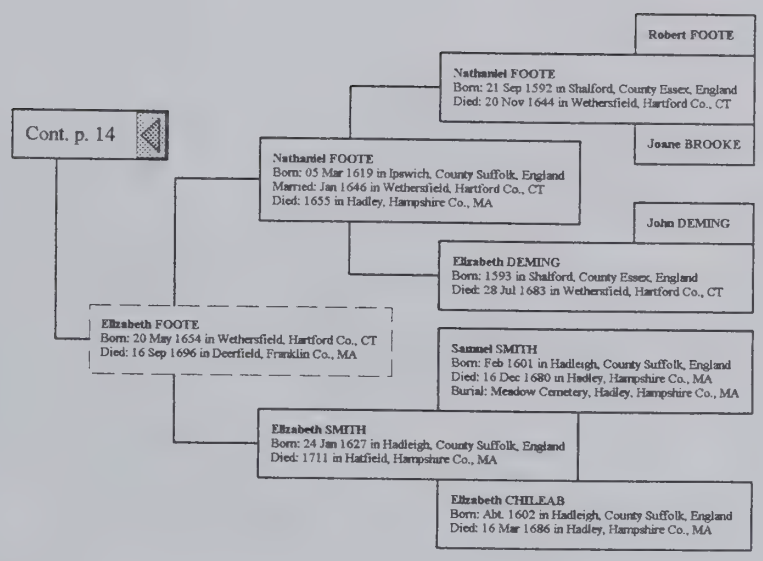

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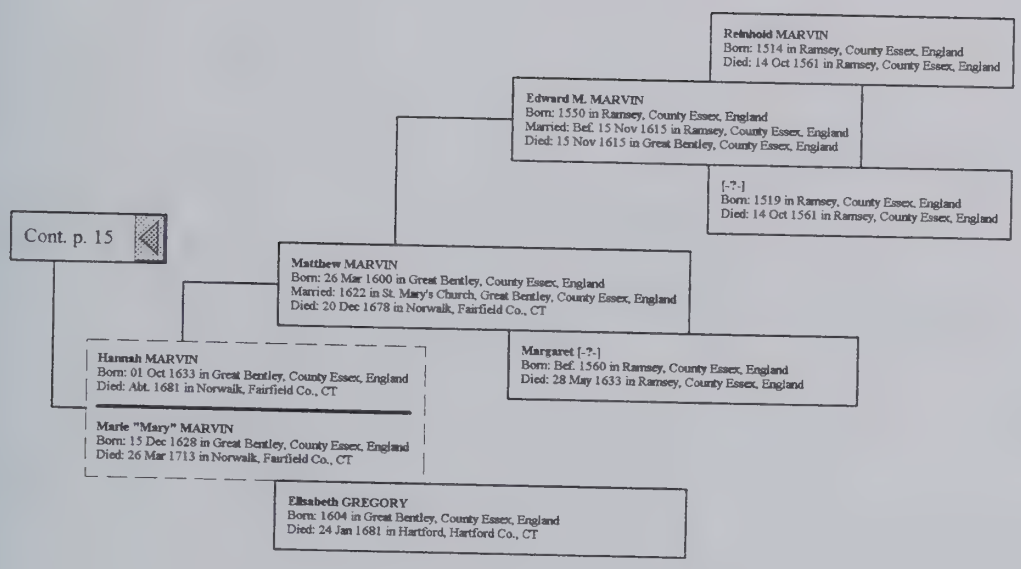

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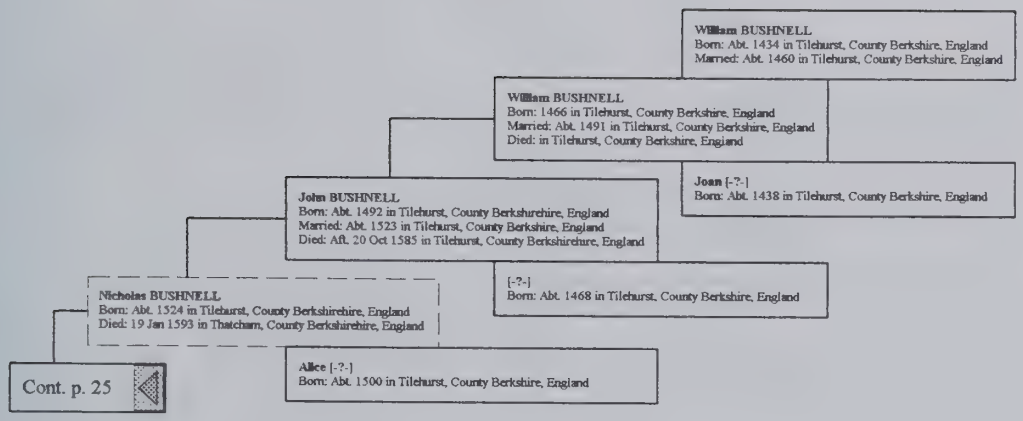

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Johannes REEVE
Born: 1539 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Married: 06 Nov 1566 in St. Jame's Church, Chignall, County Essex, England
Died: in England

John REEVE
Born: 12 Feb 1567 in St. Nicholas Parish, County Suffolk, England
Married: 24 Oct 1588 in Gosfield, County Essex, England
Died: 09 Jan 1621 in Gosfield, County Essex, England

Elizabeth MAULT
Born: Abt. 1535 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Died: in England

Anne REEVE
Born: 29 Nov 1590 in Garrett Manor, Bocking, Essex Co., England
Died: 20 Jan 1686 in Norwalk, Fairfield Co., CT
Burial: Fairfield Co., CT

John BROCK
Born: Abt. 1509 in Little Leighs, County Essex, England
Died: in Little Leighs, County Essex, England

William BROCK
Born: Abt. 1525 in Colchester, County Essex, England
Married: Abt. 1542 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Died: 13 Jun 1598 in Colchester, County Essex, England

Agnes WISEMAN
Born: Abt. 1514 in Little Leighs, County Essex, England

Mary BROCK
Born: 1567 in Gosfield, County Essex, England
Died: Abt. 1620 in Gosfield, County Essex, England

John BEDELL
Born: in Woolston, County Hamptonshire, England

John BEDELL
Born: Abt. 1511 in Notley, County Essex, England

Elizabeth ELLISTON
Born: in Aliston, England

Margery BEDELL
Born: Abt. 1529 in Notley, County Essex, England
Died: in Colchester, County Essex, England

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Born: Abt. 1510 in Notley, County Essex, England

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William FYCHE
Born: Abt. 1400 in England
Died: Bef. 24 Apr 1466 in Essex Co., England

John FYTCHE
Born: Abt. 1437 in Essex Co., England
Married: Bef. 1465
Died: Bef. 24 Apr 1468 in Essex Co., England

Thomas FITCH
Born: 1472 in Essex Co., England
Died: 24 Apr 1514 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Burial: Parish church at Lindsell, County Essex, England

Juliana [-?-]
Died: Bef. 09 Nov 1514 in Essex Co., England

William ALGOR
Born: 1379 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Died: 1398 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

Roger FITCH
Born: Abt. 1500 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Died: 12 Jan 1558 in England

William ALGORE
Born: Abt. 1400 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Died: Bef. 03 Mar 1468 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

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Born: Abt. 1380 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

Robert ALGORE
Born: 1435 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Married: 1470 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Died: 21 Dec 1493 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

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Born: 1402 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

Agnes ALGER
Born: Abt. 1470 in Fitche Castle, Widdington, County Essex, England
Died: Bef. 25 Dec 1533 in Widdington, County Essex, England

George FITCH
Born: 1545 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Married: 13 Sep 1574 in Canfield, County Essex, England
Died: 12 May 1605 in Bocking, County Essex, England

Margaret [-?-]
Born: Abt. 1440 in Lindsell, County Essex, England
Died: 21 Dec 1505 in Lindsell, County Essex, England

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Margaret "Margery" HUMPHREY
Born: Abt. 1515 in Bocking, County Essex, England
Died: Abt. 1579 in Bocking, County Essex, England

Russell Lyon, Jr.

I joined the Navy in 1948 because I was sure to be drafted, and I didn't want to be in the Army. I had 14 weeks in boot camp. Then I tested high enough to go to electricians mate school for another 16 weeks. I never saw the oceans, or even one of the Great Lakes before enlisting. In electricians mate school they asked for volunteers for submarine service. I had never seen a sub, but I volunteered for the silent service.

After 8 weeks of school and training I was sent to the USS Spinax SSR489, an almost new diesel boat 312 feet long, drew 26 foot to keel.

I was to spend the rest of my four years on this same boat. In the North Atlantic, two tours on the Mediterranean Sea, 1949 and 1950. Then through the canal to the Pacific Ocean.

I checked on the internet about a year ago, on the 489's voyages. There was still two months in 1951 that is still classified. I did not see the light of day for those two months off the coast of eastern Russia.

What I missed most was not being home for four Christmases!

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The Families of Eddie Cone and Linda Williamson Cone

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- *Name:* Nathaniel King [1]
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* UNKNOWN [1]
- *Death:* UNKNOWN [1]
- *Reference Number:* 3008

Father: David King b: UNKNOWN
Mother: Elizabeth ? b: UNKNOWN

Marriage 1 Jane Hixson b: 1841 in Pennsylvania

- *Married:* UNKNOWN [1]

Something to check. Nathaniel Fitch King would have had David & Eliz for parents but 1841 would be a very late marriage as our NF King was born in 1760-70 area.

Children

1. Norman King b: UNKNOWN
2. Chapman King b: UNKNOWN
3. Nathaniel King b: UNKNOWN
4. William Chafton King b: UNKNOWN

Sources:

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The Roads Taken: Records and Stories of Our Families (in Progress)

Entries: 23650 **Updated:** Sun Jun 16 20:19:21 2002
Contact: Richard Ripley <familypaths@hotmail.com>
Home Page: The Roads Taken - Pictorial Version

Note that we are moving. Please hold email messages until mid August. If your previous message was unanswered, please re-submit then. Sorry for any inconvenience!

- *ID:* I15728
- *Name:* Sarah Finch
- *Sex:* F
- *Birth:* 7 Apr 1724 OR 1728 in Stamford, Fairfield, Connecticut (d. of John F. & Sarah Petit) b. 9-20-1659 Stamford b. Abt 1662
- *Reference Number:* 15728

Marriage 1 Richard King b: 1718 in Middlesex Co., Massachusetts

- *Married:* 28 Oct 1742 in Fairfield, Connecticut

Children

1. Daniel King , U.E. b: 8 Nov 1751 in Westport, Fairfield, Connecticut OR was this David ?

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The Decendents of Jane Cone, William Maxey, Shadrack Williamson, Nichlaus Henniger and Donithan

Entries: 4991 **Updated:** Thu Jul 25 20:17:04 2002 **Contact:** Eddie Cone <econe37714@aol.com>

The Families of Eddie Cone and Linda Williamson Cone

- *ID:* I3009
- *Name:* David King [1]
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* UNKNOWN [1]
- *Death:* UNKNOWN [1]
- *Reference Number:* 3009

Marriage 1 Elizabeth ? b: UNKNOWN

- *Married:* UNKNOWN [1]

Children

1. Nathaniel King b: UNKNOWN

Doubt that this is our David King & they Father appears to be too late.

Marriage 2 Elizabeth ? b: UNKNOWN

- *Married:* UNKNOWN [1]

Children

1. Ervin C. King b: UNKNOWN 14 child. / sister to Jane??
m. Angeline Hixson b. 1845 in PA
f. Abraham – b. 1798 Tares, Westmoreland, PA
m. Mariah Zimmerman

Sources:

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Repository:
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Allen Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1857	Indiana	White	Male	
David Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1865	Indiana	White	Male	
Emmaline Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1861	Indiana	White	Female	
Fidelia Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1851	Indiana	White	Female	
Francelia Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1851	Indiana	White	Female	
Harvey Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1853	Indiana	White	Male	
Ida Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1859	Indiana	White	Female	
Jane Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1845	Ohio	White	Female	
John Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1852	Ohio	White	Male	
Mary Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1819	Pennsylvania	White	Female	
Nathaniel Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1806	Pennsylvania	White	Male	
Sarah Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1855	Indiana	White	Female	
Stevens Fitch	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1849	Indiana	White	Male	
Arthur Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1862	Indiana	White	Male	
Catherine Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1828	Pennsylvania	White	Female	
Catherine Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1850	Indiana	White	Female	
Edna Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1867	Indiana	White	Female	
Elizabeth Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1816	Ohio	White	Female	
Emma Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1860	Indiana	White	Female	
George Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1826	France	White	Male	
Jacob Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1818	France	White	Male	
James Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1840	New York	White	Male	
Jane Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1861	Indiana	White	Female	
John Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1858	Indiana	White	Male	
Mary Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1857	Indiana	White	Female	
May Kell	Perry, Allen, IN	abt 1869	Indiana	White	Female	

Household Record

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Household:

Name	Relation	Marital Status	Gender	Race	Age	Birthplace	Occupation	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace
Christian FAIR	Self	M	Male	W	36	IN	Farmer	OH	OH
Francelia FAIR	Wife	M	Female	W	29	IN	Keeping House	PA	OH
Valie FAIR	Dau	S	Female	W	4	IN		IN	IN
Lizzie FAIR	Dau	S	Female	W	1	KS		IN	IN
Thomas WHACKER	Other		Male	W	24	IN	Farm Labor	OH	PA

Is this Thomas Whicker, son of Stephen?

Source Information:

Census Place	Raymond, Rice, Kansas
Family History Library Film	1254394
NA Film Number	T9-0394
Page Number	264D

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Jacob KELL	Self	M	Male	W	63	ALSACE	Farmer	ALSACE	ALSACE	1817
Catharine KELL	Wife	M	Female	W	53	PA	Keeping House	NJ	PA	1827
Mary KELL	Dau	S	Female	W	23	IN	At Home	ALSACE	PA	— 1851
Emma KELL	Dau	S	Female	W	19	IN	At Home	ALSACE	PA	1861
Arthur KELL	Son	S	Male	W	18	IN	Farm Laborer	ALSACE	PA	1862
May KELL	Dau	S	Female	W	10	IN		ALSACE	PA	1870
Fred KELL	Son	S	Male	W	7	IN		ALSACE	PA	1873
Anthony GANGLIEF	Other	S	Male	W	20	OH	Farm Laborer	OH	OH	1860

Source Information:

Census Place	Perry, Allen, Indiana
Family History Library Film	1254264
NA Film Number	T9-0264
Page Number	190B

Subj: **USS FITCH.jpg [1/2]**
Date: 4/12/2003 5:55:46 AM US Eastern Standard Time
From: kkfitch@att.net
To: Undisclosed-Recipient:;
Sent from the Internet (Details)

Received the following from my friend in Arizona. She said that she "found a book called "REG'LAR FELLERS" by Gene Byrnes, published in 1943. If my memory serves me right, he did a comic strip by that name...a bunch of little boys playing sailors, etc. Anyway, in this book he has pictures of some of the Naval Fleet of WWII. One picture is of a 1700 Ton Bristol Type Destroyer names "U.S.S. FITCH" ".

ITALY - WW II

James R. Maxwell
5379 Brighton Drive
Riverside, CA. 92504

MEMBER
88TH INFANTRY DIVISION
ASSOCIATION

Dear Betty,

Hope this letter finds you in good health and active. Both Ruthann and I are doing fine. We keep busy attending our grandchildren's baseball and basketball games. Both boys play on club teams which keeps them busy year-round.

I recently discovered some tax receipts, from the farm property where I grew up, and noticed that one of them is signed by Claude P. Fitch. I'm wondering if this a member of your husband's family?

These tax receipts go back to 1865, and appear to chronicle the farms changes in ownership. It was given by an Uncle Thomas Schroyer, to my father Roy and his brother Merritt, when they were quite small. My dad then purchased Merritt's half and eventually sold it to his younger brother Willard, etc. etc. It is no longer owned by Maxwell's, but the old brick house on Hwy 101 still stands and looks pretty good.

I lost my entire genealogy file when the computer crashed. I've been able to restore some of it, using printouts that I had made to proof-read. The rest is not going to be that easy.

In the meantime I've been contacted by several (6) cousins who have been working on the genealogy of the Maxwell family. Several of them have traced the family back to Ireland and the 1700's. One lady sent me a 45 page printout, covering up to the 1990's in some branches. I've been busy inputting this stuff into my program, so I can find out who these people really are. It is fun, but also very time consuming.

Best wishes, Jim and Ruthann

Telephone: 909-684-2386
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July 12, 2003

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CONCORD TOWNSHIP

RECEIPT NO. 00143

TREASURER'S OFFICE DeKALB COUNTY
IND.

PAID

THIS MUST BEAR THE TREASURER'S SIGNATURE AND DATE PAID

MAY 2 - 1938

Claude P. Fitch
TREAS. DE KALB CO., IND

DUPLICATE NO. 62-16

Received of MAXWELL ROY E. & STELLA

FOR THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF THE STATE, COUNTY, TOWNSHIP AND CORPORATION TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1937 ON THE FOLLOWING:

DESCRIPTION	SEC.	ACRES	HUND.	LOT	BLK.	MTG. EXEM.	NET R. E.	PERSONAL	Poll	MAY INSTALLMENT	
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										32.37	32.37

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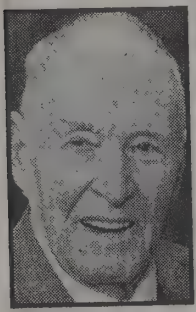
ANY ITEM YOU MISS BECOMES DELINQUENT

CLAUDE P. FITCH,
TREASURER, DE KALB COUNTY

Fort Wayne Printing Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.

ROBERT MOSS GLOYD, 88, died Saturday, Jan. 8, 2005, at Lutheran Hospital. Born March 11, 1916, in Perry Township, Allen County he was the son of Otis and Arvilla (Moss) Gloyd and lived most of his adult life on the Gloyd Homestead, where he farmed and raised his family. He graduated from Huntertown High School, was employed by Fort Wayne Newspapers for 35 years, and was a lifetime member of Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church. Survivors include three sons, Travis (Beverly Engleman) of Fort Wayne, Samuel of Massachusetts and Dennis (Roxie Gross) of Churubusco; two daughters, Sara (Charles) Liggett of Edon, Ohio and Sharon (Ronald) Hoot of Fort Wayne; 17 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Evlyn M. (Pontius) Gloyd; and a daughter, Pamela. **Service is 11 a.m. Thursday at Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church, 12707 Tonkel Road, with calling one hour prior to service. Calling also from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road.** Burial in Huntertown Cemetery. Memorials to Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church



Gloyd

four-tiered, color-coded emergency system that ranges from green to black.

Snow scene investigators

Although the systems are different, the process for actually calling a snow emergency is fairly consistent across the region.

The county commissioners have the ultimate authority to declare emergencies, but most say they collect input from the county sheriff, highway department and emergency management director.

John McGauley, the Allen County commissioners' spokesman, said the commissioners try to gather as much data as possible from people with first-hand knowledge before making a de-

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Evlyn M. Gloyd

Gloyd

EVLYN M. GLOYD, 79, died Sunday, Aug. 31, 2003, at Dupont Hospital in Fort Wayne, she delivered the News-Sentinel for 31 years, retiring in 1982, and was a member of Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church. Survivors include husband, Robert of Fort Wayne; son, Travis (Beverly) Gloyd of Fort Wayne; daughter, Sara (Charles) Liggett of Edon, Ohio; son, Samuel of Newton Highlands, Mass.; son, Dennis (Roxie) of Churubusco; daughter, Sharon (Ronald) Hoot of Fort Wayne; sister, Willadean Hall of Fort Wayne; brothers, Donald (Jean) Pontius of Florida and Jon (Kavon) Pointius of Tennessee; 17 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one daughter, Pamela Gloyd, and grandson, Justin Gloyd. Service is 11 a.m. Friday, with calling one hour prior, at Robinson Chapel United Methodist Church, 12707 Tonkel Road. Calling is from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road. Burial in Huntertown Cemetery. Memorials to Future Building Plans of Robinson Chapel Ministries, 12707 Tonkel Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46845.

Published in the Fort Wayne Newspapers on 9/3/2003.

Back

The Lord is my shepherd,
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down
in green pastures; he leadeth me
beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; he leadeth
me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death, I will
fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness
and mercy shall follow me all the days
of my life, and I will dwell in the house
of the Lord forever.

– Psalm 23

IN MEMORY OF

Evlyn M. Gloyd

DATE OF BIRTH

February 28, 1924

DATE OF DEATH

August 31, 2003

PLACE AND TIME OF SERVICES

Robinson Chapel UMC
12707 Tonkel Road
Friday, September 5, 2003
11:00 am

OFFICIATING

Rev. Randy McQueen

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Huntertown Cemetery
Huntertown, Indiana

Funerals Are For The Living

The funeral service is for the living because it enables family and friends to gather to express their feelings. It's a time to pay tribute, reflect on memories, gain strength from others and begin to accept one of life's many changes. A funeral service lets you and those close to you say goodbye and begin the healing process.

Your presence at this funeral is of immeasurable value. You're contributing to a fellowship of support extended to the family and relatives. For them, your attendance is comforting and reassuring. They know that you care and want to acknowledge the life that was lived. By being here, you're helping to make this service a memorable one.

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In Loving Memory

- *ID:* I7770
- *Name:* John Byron Fitch
- *Given Name:* John Byron
- *Surname:* Fitch
- *_VERI:* YES [1]
- *_VERI:* YES [2]
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 23 Jun 1872 in Perry Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA
- *_VERI:* YES [1]
- *_VERI:* YES [2]
- *Death:* 20 Feb 1947 in Perry Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA of Stroke and paralysis
- *_VERI:* YES [1 3]
- *_VERI:* YES [1]
- *_VERI:* YES [2]
- *Note:* Newspaper obituary, Huntertown Historical Society website, 4 February 2005.
- *Burial:* 23 Feb 1947 Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Dekalb County, Illinois, USA
- *_VERI:* YES [1]
- *_VERI:* YES [2]
- *Occupation:* was a farmer and an Assessor.
- *_VERI:* YES [1]
- *_VERI:* YES [2]
- *_UID:* 88A7E6C4DBCA4BE6B779C899244600EA94C7
- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2006 at 23:24

Father: Mathias Fitch b: 16 Jan 1843
Mother: Francis VanDolah b: 19 Feb 1843

Marriage 1 Rosa "Belle" Hollopeter b: 29 May 1874 in Cedar Creek Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA

- *Married:* 17 Mar 1898 in Allen County, Indiana, USA [4 5 6]
- *Event:* to the Cedar Creek Chapel Methodist Church Church Membership in Auburn, Dekalb County, Indiana, USA [4 5 6]
- *Census:* Twelfth Census of the United States 23 Jun 1900 in Perry Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA
- *Note:* 1900 Census: IN, Allen, Perry, ED #15, Sheet 11A, 23 June 1900, Image 21 of 23 at Ancestry.com, Dwelling #229, Family #224. 1. Fitch, John B., Dr., Head, June 1873, Age 26, Married (3 years), b IN, f ather b IN, mother b IN, Farmer. 2. Fitch, Bell, Wife, May 1875, Age 25, Married (3 years), 1 child (1 living), b IN, father b IN, mother b IN 3. Fitch, Grace, Daughter, March 1899, Age 1, b IN [6]

- *Census:* Thirteenth Census of the United States 29 Apr 1910 in Perry Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA
- *Note:* 1910 Census: IN, Allen, Perry, ED #19, Sheet 9A, 29 April 1910, Image 17 of 32 at Ancestry.com. 1. Fitch, John B., Head, Age 38, Married (1st, 12 years), b IN, father b IN, mother b IN, Farmer, Gener al. 2. Fitch, Belle R., Wife, Age 35, Married (1st, 12 years), 3 children (3 living), b IN, father b OH, mother b IN 3. Fitch, Grace, Daughter, Age 11, b IN 4. Fitch, Mauriss K., Son, Age 8, b IN 5 . Fitch, Otis B., Son, Age 5, b IN [6]
- *Census:* Fourteenth Census of the United States 10 Jan 1920 in Perry Township, Allen County, Indiana, USA
- *Note:* 1920 Census: IN, Allen, Perry, ED #20, Sheet 5A, 10 January 1920, Image 9 of 29 at Ancestry.com, Coldwater Road, Farm, Dwelling #87, Family #89. 1. Fitch, John B., Own, Mortgage, Age 47, Married, b I N, father b IN, mother b IN, Farmer, General. 2. Fitch, Bell R., Wife, Age 44, Married, b IN, father b OH, mother b IN 3. Fitch, Maurice K., Son, Age 18, b IN 4. Fitch, Otis B., Son, Age 15, b IN. [6]
- *Change Date:* 27 Apr 2006

Children

1. Grace Fitch b: 29 Mar 1899
2. Maurice Keith Fitch b: 9 Oct 1901
3. Otis Bernon Fitch b: 20 Dec 1904

Sources:

1. Abbrev: Descendants of EDMOND EDMONDS & HANNAH ADDAMS
   Title: The Descendants of EDMOND EDMONDS & HANNAH ADDAMS of Simsbury, Connecticut
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6. Abbrev: The Ancestry & Descendants of Edith Grace (Hollopeter) Rundles
Title: The Ancestry and Descendants of Edith Grace (Hollopeter) Rundles
Author: Wendy (Hollopeter) Lowry
Date: 1 Dec 2005
Text: The majority of her information can be found in the book: "The Hollopeter Brothers and their Edmonds Wives of Fostoria, Ohio, 633 N. Main, Fostoria, OH; November 1991, Revised October 1999." Authore d by Jan Herbert

She also used "The Hollopeter Family Record, Village Printing House, Hamburg, NY, April 1958." Authored by Eva (Hollopeter) Ridenour and Wanda (Hollopeter) Burris, Received as an E-Mail attachment fr om Wendy (Hollopeter) Lowry on 1 December 2005 Wendy can be reached by E-Mail at wendylowry@fuse.net Numerous Census Records and Marriage Records transcribed, as well as several Wills. Printed in Tw o Sections Section One: Three pages, Descendants Section Two: Fifty-Seven pages, Ancestry
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Date: 1 Dec 2005

Prob. Josiah not Jacob

- *ID:* I2544
- *Name:* **Jacob Mathias Fitch**
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 16 JAN 1843 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [1] [2]
- *Death:* 10 DEC 1923 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [2]
- *Burial:* IN, Allen Co, Perry Township, Huntertown Cemetery [3]
- *Occupation:* farmer 1910 [4]
- *Event:* Biography
- *Note:*

1889:
Matthias Fitch, the second son of Nathaniel, was born January 16, 1843. December 1, 1867, he was united in marriage with Frances, daughter of James and Rebecca Vandolah, and this union gave them nine children six of whom are living: Schuyler, John B., Walter, Bessie, Altha and Beatrice. Mrs. Fitch was born February 19, 1843. He is a member of the Regulators, and was once a member of the F. & A.M. He makes a specialty of raising sheep. he has 240 acres of good land in Perry township, improved, and 200 acres in Iowa. In connection with farming he also runs a water-power saw-mill built by his father.
[5]

- *Event:* Biography
- *Note:*

Mathhias was the 2nd son of Nathaniel and Sarah DeLong Fitch. He was born in a log cabin where Nathaniel's large new house was to be built. Mathias farmed 240 acres in Perry Township and made a specialty of raising sheep. He also owned farmland in Iowa. He ran the water-powered sawmill that was on his farm, as his father Nathaniel had done before him. The sawmill was a one-story building 60 by 20 feet. Mathias took over the operation of the mill about 1870 and installed a feed grinder. He continued the operation of the mill until 1908 when it was abandoned. This mill was in continuous operation for 68 years. Mathias was a member of the Regulators, an organization formed to rid the country of outlaws. David Fitch, his brother, and Jacob Kell were also members of this courageous organization.
[6]

- *Event:* 1920 Census 1920 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [7]
- *Event:* 1910 Census 1910 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [8]
- *Event:* Obituary 11 DEC 1923 IN, Allen Co
- *Note:*

Unknown newspaper:
Mathhias Fitch, 80, a well-known farmer of Allen County, living in Perry Township, died of paralysis yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at his home near the north county line, northeast of Huntertown. Relatives include three daughters, Mrs. Fred Kell, Miss Alethea Fitch, and Mrs. Beatrice Leaycraft of Los Angeles, California; two sons, Schuyler of Seattle, Washington, and John Fitch of Huntertown; five brothers, Charles and Allen of Minnesota; Amos and Harvey of Huntertown, and D. N. of Auburn.
[2]

- *Event:* 1900 Census 1900 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [9]
- *Event:* 1850 Census 1850 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [10]
- *Event:* 1880 Census 1880 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [11]
- *Event:* 1860 Census 1860 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [12]
- *Event:* 1870 Census 1870 IN, Allen Co, Perry Township [13]
- *Event:* Land 20 JUL 1878 IN, Allen Co
- *Note:*

.... Matthias Fitch and Frances Fitch, his wife, of Allen County, in the State of Indiana, Mortgage and Warrant to Sarah E. Fitch of Allen County in the State of Indiana, for the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars the following real estate, situate in Allen County and State of Indiana and described to wit: The West half of the North East Quarter of Section Four (4) Township Thirty-two (32) North, Range Twelve (12) East. To secure the payment by us of the sum of Fifty Dollars on the first day of February of each and every year during the term of the life of the Sarah E. Fitch, the same to be paid to her with interest if not paid when due and such payments cease and this mortgage to be cancelled upon the death of the said Sarah E. Fitch and the mortgagors expressly agree to pay the sum of money above secured without any relief from valuation or appraisement laws.
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Father: Nathaniel Fitch b: 9 JUL 1808 in PA
Mother: Sarah DeLong b: 29 MAY 1818 in OH, Miami Co, Bethel Township

Marriage 1 Frances VanDolah b: 19 FEB 1843 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township

- *Married:* 1 DEC 1867 in IN, Allen Co [1] [15]

Children

1. Lucy Fitch b: 15 SEP 1868 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
2. Schuyler Fitch b: 24 DEC 1869 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
3. John Byron Fitch b: 23 JUN 1872 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
4. Walter Van Twiller Fitch b: 24 MAR 1874 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
5. Florence Bessie Fitch b: 10 MAY 1875 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
6. Nathaniel Fitch b: 5 JUN 1877 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
7. Grace Fitch b: 19 NOV 1878 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
8. Althea Creola Fitch b: 30 DEC 1880 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township
9. Beatrice Victoria Fitch b: 1 AUG 1884 in IN, Allen Co, Perry Township

Sources:

1. Title: *Valley of the Upper Maumee, Vol. I* (Madison, Wis. : Brand and Fuller, 1889.)
2. Title: Fitch, Betty (Email)
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   Note: 1995
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   Note: 1910
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   Note: page 317
6. Title: Helm, T. B. (Thomas B), *History of Allen County, Indiana,* (Chicago : Kingman Bros., 1880)
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   Note: ED 20, sheet 5A
8. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
   Note: ED 19, sheet 5B
9. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
   Note: ED 15, page 4
10. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
    Note: page 269
11. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
    Note: FHL Film 1254264, page 194B
12. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
    Note: page 106
13. Title: United States Census Office, *Population Schedules of the Census*
    Note: page 8
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15. Title: Transcribed from original *Marriage Record or Certificate*
    Note: Book 7 page 146

Happy Holidays

The Hortons

DAVID W. FITCH, 71, of Leo-Cedarville, died Wednesday at Hospice Home of Northeast Indiana. Born in Anderson, he retired in 1987 after working as an electrical engineer and manger for General Electric Co. for 23 years and Dresser-Rand for 11 years. Surviving are his wife, Evelyn R.; two daughters, Elaine M. Russell of Bluffton and Sheryl L. Seitz of Fort Wayne; three grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild. **Services at 2 p.m. Sunday at D.O. McComb & Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E. Dupont Road. Calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday.** Burial in Highland Park Cemetery. Memorials to Visiting Nurse Service & Hospice Inc., or American Heart Association.

not identified

Hurshel Humes Fitch
World War I, U.S. Navy

Hurshel Humes Fitch, born February 9, 1890 and died in 1968. He graduated from Purdue University in 1913. He served in World War I in the United States Navy. He married Mabel Catherine Snyder. Hershel worked as a chief engineer for the Auburn Foundry, Inc. They had two sons, Stephen David Fitch and James Sterling Fitch.

James Sterling Fitch, son of Hershel, was born May 18, 1923. He attended Auburn Schools and after graduation he entered the United States Army in February, 1943. James trained with a mountain ski troop at Camp Hale, Colorado, and later served with the 71st Artillery Division in Germany. He served 1943 to 1946. James married Joanne Lois Miller. They are the parents of two sons, James Sterling Fitch, Jr. and Mark Warren Fitch.

James Sterling Fitch
World War II, U.S. Army, 1943-1946

STEPHEN D. FITCH
U.S. NAVY - WORLD WAR II

JAMES S. FITCH, SR.
U.S. ARMY - WORLD WAR II

JAMES S. FITCH, JR.
U.S. AIR FORCE - VIETNAM WAR

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HURSHEL HUMES FITCH, born February 9, 1890, died 1969. Hurshel attended the Auburn Schools and graduated from Purdue University in 1913. Her served in World War II (This was probably meant to be World War I) in the Untied States Navy. He married Mabel Catherine Snyder, born November 26, 1892, died April 25, 1960, on July 12, 1918. After separation from the Navy, Hurshel and Mabel C. resided at Auburn, Indiana. Hershel worked as chief engineer for the Auburn Foundry, Inc. Two sons were born to this marriage: Stephen David and James Sterling.

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JAMES STERLING FITCH, born May 18, 1923, in the family home at Auburn, Indiana. James attended Auburn Schools and after graduation he entered the United States Army in February, 1943. James trained with a mountain ski troop at Camp Hale, Colorado, and later served with the 71st Artillery Division in Germany. James married Joanne Lois Miller, December 5, 1943, daughter of Joe and Mary Ethel Clouse Miller, whose farm was east of Auburn. She attended Pyles School for 8 years and graduated from Auburn High School in 1942.

After discharge at the end of World War II, James returned to Auburn where he built a house on land which was given by Joe and Mary Miller. James was employed by Dana Corporation of Auburn for 35 years. Joanne worked as a secretary for local attorneys and a real estate firm in Auburn.

They are the parents of two sons, James Sterling, Jr., born February 4, 1947, in Auburn, Indiana. He attended the Auburn Schools and graduated from Auburn High School in 1965. James Jr. attended Tri-State College in Angola and enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1967. After discharge in 1971, he returned to Auburn, where he married Patricia Ann Miller, March 10, 1973. They reside in Fort Wayne, Indiana and are the parents of 4 children: David Nathaniel, born July 25, 1974, Christopher James, born August 1, 1977, Michael Jonathan, born September 1, 1979, and Mary Katherine born August 2, 1982.

Mark Warren was born April 29, 1952 in Garrett, Indiana. He attended the Auburn schools and graduated from DeKalb High School in 1970. Mark graduated from Purdue University in 1975. He married Melody Lynn Miller, who was born in South Bend, Indiana, November 15, 1955; attended the South Bend Schools and graduated from Purdue University.

Stephen David Fitch, son of Hershel, was in the United States Navy in World War II.

Stephen David Fitch
World War II, U.S. Navy

James Sterling Fitch, Jr., son of James, was in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He served 1967 to 1971.

James Sterling Fitch, Jr.
Vietnam War, U.S. Air Force, 1967-1971

Wells County Census.....1860

Ellen Moore	Chester Twp., 1016
John H. Moore	Bluffton Twp. 937
John Moore, Jr.	Bluffton Twp. 937
Mary Moore	Bluffton Twp., 937
Orton Moore	Chester Twp., 1016

Land purchasers in Wells Co., IN

Henry Moore	Lives in Liberty Twp., at time of sale	11-10-1840
Henry Moore	" "	11-10-1840
Joseph Moore	Lives in Liberty Twp., at time of sale	11-10-1840
Joseph Moore	" "	11-10-1840
William Moore	Living in Nottingham Twp, at time of sale	8-20-1838
Edward M. Moore	Living in Rock Creek Twp., at time of sale	8-20-1838
John L. Moore	" "	11-2-1837
John L. Moore	" "	8-20-1838

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John Fitch Coburn bought Land in DeKalb County while living there		3-9-1836
John Fitch Coburn	" " "	3-9-1836
William J. Fitch	Living in LaGrange at the time	11-19-1835
William John Fitch	" "	11-19-1835
✓Nathaniel Fitch	Living in LaGrange Co. at the time	11-4-1833

This is an interesting notation as I am not sure if he bought land in LaGrange Co., Or if he was living in LaGrange Co. in 1833. He might have been there first Before working on the Wabash Canal. At one time I found a notice where he Was living in Carroll Co. Would like to find out what he purchased in 1833.

Have 5 early images for Nath.

Benjamin Vandolah.....living in Greene Co., Ohio		12-17-1835
James Vandolah	" "	3-14-1836
Joseph Vandolah	living in Allen Co., IN	3-2-1835
Sarah Vandolah	living in Green Co., Ohio	12-17-1835
✓John Hand	living in Greene Co., Ohio	3-14-1836
✓Phebe Hand	living in Allen Co., IN	10-10-1836
Nathan B. Hand	" "	
✓Peter Hand	" "	10-28-1836
Philo Hand —not found		10-10-1836
✓Joseph W. Hand		5-20-1836
Moses Hand —not found		5-12-1840

Not sure if the last were in Allen Co., No place listed.

James Tucker	living in Greene Co., Ohio	3-14-1836
John Tucker	in Greene Co. ??	8-26-1836

Subj: **family information:**
Date: 10/25/2002 2:55:20 PM US Eastern Standard Time
From: hoosierntt@ij.net
To: wfitch5413@aol.com
Sent from the Internet (Details)

Betty,

After my Grandpa and Grandma Doll sold there farm they moved into a small house in Spencerville. I don't remember how long it was until Grandpa passed away but it was probably several years. They were living in Spencerville when I was a Freshman. That was about the time Warren bought Grandpa's car. Sechler's would bring several barrels of small onions that they were paid to prepare for canning. I remember staring overnight when I was in high school when there was a function going on. I don't recall going to the funeral for Grandpa but I remember going to the Lutheran Church for Grandma's service.

Grandma Doll did stay with my parents for a short time. She was in a nursing home in Fort wayne but the money soon ran out. After that she took turns staying with the family. That did not work out for very long. When she went into the county home each one of the children chipped in to pay for her stay. Needless to say she was not very happy there. Gerry and Sue remember the visits when we took Mom to see her.

Grandpa Fitch had a stroke and was ill for a very long time. Grandma took care of him even though they did not have in- door plumbing. She also cooked on a wood stove but made delicious sugar cookies. He was a big man and hard to handle. Grandma had polio when she was younger and wore a built up shoe. She taught school before she was married. Grandma never drove so she had to depend on friends to take her. She would also catch the bus to have her hair done which was about 4 miles South on 27. Ruby Smith was very good to her and always checked on her.

Grandpa's Doll's death certificate should be in Dekalb County. Grandpa and Grandma Fitch would be in Allen County with Grandma Doll's. I may think of something later to send you.

Maxine

Obituary of Robert Elliot Fitch .....October 17, 1928 to February 12, 2002

Robert "Bob" Elliot Fitch, 73, passed away February 12, following a long struggle with lung cancer. He was born in Wenatchee in 1928, graduated from West Point in 1951 and served during the Korean War. He worked on his Master's Degree at UC Berkeley in California and returned to Seattle in 1972. He and his wife Madeline were married in 1974.

Bob retired from Boeing in 1991 after a satisfying career of 28 years in engineering management and technology development. He was heavily involved in the research and development of advanced air-breathing propulsion technologies, supersonic combustion ramjets, and air augmented rocket design. Bob shifted into the environmental and energy area, and most notably being responsible for the first commercially successful energy recovery system in the US, the process of creating energy from municipal waste. He was named in multiple patents in the environmental and energy recovery areas and retired from the B2 Program as manager of a fuel systems design crew.

Bob always enjoyed creative projects, including taking a hands-on approach to many of their waterport homes on Lake Meridian, where he and his family resided for nearly 20 years. Most recently he and his wife designed and built their retirement dream home on Puget Sound with panoramic views of Mt. Rainier. When he wasn't building, he liked golfing, woodworking, snow skiing, boating – and was an avid reader. His many travels with his family in retirement years took him to Greece, New Zealand, Australia and most recently, to Italy.

He is survived by his wife, Madeline; daughter, Lauri Dahl-Farros of Woodside, CA; son, Scott Dahl of Seattle; grandchildren, Selena and Diandra Fitch of Lynwood; brother, John Fitch and wife Billie of Marrowstone Island; niece, Cheryl Fitch and her son Kyle of Vashon; nephew, Jim Fitch and his daughter Hannah of Edmonds. He is also survived by John Fitch and Linelle Fitch , son and daughter from a previous marriage. He was a loving husband and father, tremendously enjoyed his family, and many friends, and will be dearly missed.

Charitable contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Oncology Department of Valley Medical Center, Renton.

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Fort Wayne

Different Family

JAMES F. FITCH SR., 65, of Fort Wayne, died Thursday, Nov. 17, 2005, at his home. Born in Vinton, Ohio, he was a Machinist with Ajax Tools for 20 years and enjoyed golfing and bowling. Survivors include his wife, Joyce G. Fitch of Fort Wayne; sons, James F. (Linda) Fitch Jr. of Fort Wayne and Jerry D. (Soncerrae) Fitch of Columbia City; grandchildren, Anthony Fitch of Fort Wayne, Emily and Grace Fitch, both of Columbia City; brothers, Bill (Judy) Fitch of Denver, Colo. and Marion (Maxine) Fitch of Fort Wayne; sisters, Lucille Ford of Dallas, Texas, Pauline (Bill) Miller of Springfield, Ohio, Mary (Francis) Tyler of Vinton, Ohio and Sharon (Jack) Vance of Gallipolis, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Jack Fitch; and sister, Jean Keesee. **Service is 11 a.m. Monday at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, with calling one hour prior. Calling also from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.** Burial in Highland Park Cemetery. Memorials to Cancer Services of Allen County, 2925 E. State, Fort Wayne, IN 46805.

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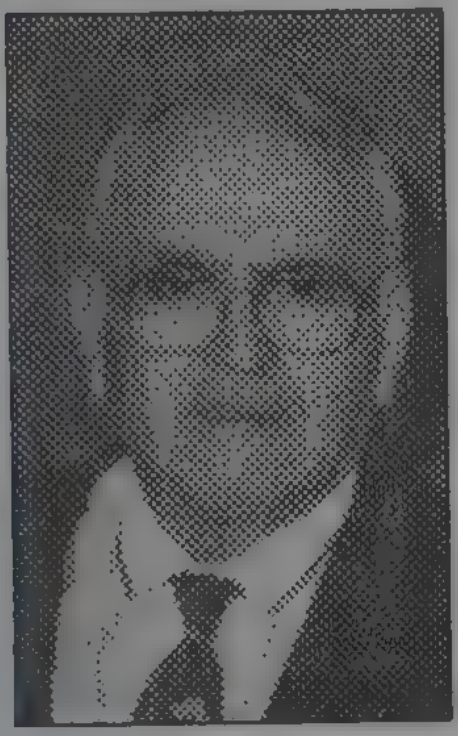
Pa. Memorials to donor's choice.

RICHARD W. "DICK" FITCH SR., 81, of Huntertown, died Saturday at Parkview Hospital. Born in Fort Wayne, he retired from General Electric Co. after 41 years. Surviving are his wife, Phyllis; five daughters, Jeanne McCrea of Crystal Lake, Ill., Anne Geller, Patricia Downs, and Sarah Hudson, all of Churubusco, and Pamela Zorger of Noblesville; three sons, Michael of Churubusco and Richard Jr. and Larry, both of Huntertown; a brother, William of Runaway Bay, Calif.; a sister, Suzanne Enyeart of Ontario, Ore.; 23 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. **Mass of Christian Burial at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 1502 E. Wallen Road, with calling from noon to 12:30 p.m. Calling also from 2 to 5 and 6 to 9 p.m. Monday at D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home Pine Valley Park, 1320 E. Dupont Road, with vigil service at 8:30 p.m.** Burial in Highland Park. Memorials to the church or the Glacoma Foundation.



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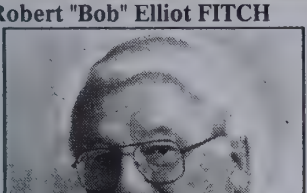

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LINWOOD R. FITCH, 71, died Wednesday at Lutheran Hospital. Born in Fort Wayne, he was owner of L.R. Fitch & Co. Exterior Contractors and a Korean War Navy veteran. Surviving are his wife, Doris V.; a son, Don of Statesville, N.C.; his mother, Viola L. Fitch of Fort Wayne; a brother, Dr. Victor K. of Fort Wayne; a sister, Rosalie DeWitt of Tucson, Ariz.; and two grandchildren. **Services at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Klaehn, Fahl & Melton Funeral Home Winchester Road Chapel, 6424 Winchester Road. Calling from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.** Memorials to Fort Wayne Rescue Mission.

dent on the bus Tuesday and brandished a knife, police said. The other student told his father about the incident, police said.

The victim's father called police and when the armed boy arrived at school Wednesday, officials found the knife, a report said.

Bullet strikes Hoagland Avenue home

A Hoagland Avenue resident re-

Descendants of Schuyler Fitch

1 Schuyler Fitch Born: Dec 24, 1869 in Perry Township, Allen County, IN Died: Apr 17, 1952 in Seattle, WA Age at death: 82
.. +Leah Lucretia Pepple Born: Apr 3, 1871 in Butler Township, DeKalb County, IN Married: Jan 5, 1893 Died: Abt. 1934 in Riverton, WA Age at death: 63 est.
..... 2 Rowene Fitch Born: Mar 3, 1894 in Perry Township, DeKalb County, IN Died: Oct 27, 1986 in Burien, WA Age at death: 92
..... +Carl Hubert Hartnett Born: May 5, 1892 in Seattle, WA Married: Mar 12, 1913 in Seattle, Washington
..... 3 Hubert Fitch Hartnett Born: Feb 5, 1914 in Portland, OR Died: Sep 3, 1992 in Renton, WA Age at death: 78
..... +Hazel Christine Oie Born: Mar 5, 1916 in Kent, WA Married: Mar 27, 1943 in Kent, WA
..... 4 Julie Myrtle Hartnett Born: Aug 7, 1949
..... +M. Frank Coen Born: Jan 19, 1948 Married: Apr 22, 1972 Died: Abt. Aug 2001 in Farmington Hills, MI Age at death: 53 est.
..... 5 Carrie Joan Coen Born: Dec 25, 1981
..... 5 Laura Jean Coen Born: Jun 11, 1983
..... 4 Jim Hugh Hartnett Born: Dec 20, 1946 in Seattle, Washington
..... +Sandra Lee Gaudrault Born: Dec 30, 1948 in Boston, Mass. Married: Aug 6, 1971
..... *2nd Wife of Jim Hugh Hartnett:
..... +Diana Barth Born: Abt. Dec 16, 1960 Married: Sep 24, 1992 in Sedona, AZ
..... 5 Julian James Hartnett Born: May 7, 1995 in Sedona, AZ
..... 5 Jesse Hartnett Born: Aug 2001 in Ft. Lauderdale, FL
..... *2nd Husband of Rowene Fitch:
..... +Clarence Thayer Bunker Born: Mar 15, 1894 in St. Paul, MN Married: Mar 30, 1928 Died: Mar 8, 1951 in Riverton, WA Age at death: 56
..... 2 Robert Fitch Born: Oct 30, 1898 in Butler Township, DeKalb, IN Died: Nov 1, 1954 in Riverton, WA Age at death: 56
..... +Stella Benson Born: Nov 19, 1894 in Pendleton, OR Married: Jun 21, 1923 Died: Nov 26, 1991 Age at death: 97
..... 3 Bette Jane Fitch Born: Mar 5, 1924
..... +Albert K. Lyon Born: May 1, 1920 in Salt Lake UT Married: Mar 26, 1943
..... 4 Kathy Irene Lyon Born: Mar 30, 1945 in Seattle, WA
..... +David A. Smith Born: Jan 5, 1938 in St. Maries, ID Married: Sep 14, 1968
..... 3 Virginia Rowena Fitch Born: Dec 31, 1927 in Seattle, WA Died: Jun 13, 1930 Age at death: 2
..... 2 Merlin Francis Fitch Born: Dec 31, 1901 in Butler Township, DeKalb County, IN Died: Feb 13, 1980 in Port Angeles, WA Age at death: 78
..... +Eunice Lucille Balch Born: Sep 20, 1908 in Malaga, WA Married: Aug 28, 1927 in Anchorage, AK Died: Apr 13, 1994 in Wenatchee, WA Age at death: 85
..... 3 Robert Eliot Fitch Born: Oct 17, 1928 in Wenatchee, WA Died: Feb 12, 2002 in Renton, WA Age at death: 73
..... +Valerie Agnes Balsamo Born: Mar 26, 1927 in Hempstead, NY Married: Jun 20, 1954 in Pressidio of San Francisco
..... 4 John Robert Fitch Born: Feb 21, 1956 in Oakland, CA
..... +Irita Mureen Nelson Born: Oct 12, 1955 Married: Aug 25, 1984 in SylvanTheater/Univ of WA, Seattle, WA
..... 5 Selena Grayce Fitch Born: Mar 29, 1985 in Seattle, WA
..... 5 Diandra Mureen Fitch Born: Mar 16, 1987 in Kirkland, WA
..... 4 Linnelle Fitch Born: Feb 3, 1959 in Seattle, WA
..... *2nd Wife of Robert Eliot Fitch:
..... +Madeline Eva Paul Born: Apr 5, 1938 in Butte, MT Married: Jul 12, 1974 in First Presbyterian Church, Kent, WA
..... 4 Laurie Kimberli Dahl Born: Feb 1, 1962 in Schilling AFB, KS
..... +Royal Farros Born: Apr 9, 1959 in So. San Francisco, CA
..... 4 Scott Curtis Dahl Born: May 1, 1963 in Schilling AFB, KS
..... 3 John Schuyler Fitch Born: Jun 6, 1934 in Wenatchee, WA
..... +Billie Marie Rochelle Born: Jul 24, 1936 in Portland, OR Married: Aug 18, 1957 in Wenatchee, WA
..... 4 James Allen Fitch Born: Dec 20, 1960 in Seattle, WA
..... +Cathy Lynn Chang Born: Aug 27, 1963 in Redwood City, CA Married: Oct 12, 1988 in Lynnwood, WA
..... 5 Hannah Joy "Jin Sin" Fitch Born: Sep 21, 1995 in Everett, WA
..... 4 Cheryl Ann Fitch Born: Oct 19, 1962 in Seattle, WA

..... +Marc Keeling Blackburn Born: Mar 29, 1963 in Los Angeles, CA Married: Dec 14, 1985 in Auburn, WA

..... 5 Kyle Keeling Blackburn Born: Feb 8, 1999 in Burien, WA

Updated August, 2001

To Betty Fitch

I am sending this note before the holiday season in lieu of Bob's special holiday letter that he has written for many years highlighting our year's activities. My life has been turned upside down. I lost my very best friend and dear husband to lung cancer earlier this year. It's taken me a long while to be able to sit down and notify family and friends, we have not had regular contact with this year, about our loss.

Bob quit smoking just before we met, almost 30 years ago. His very small tumor was discovered by accident in 1999. It was considered operable and it appeared that they got it all.....no chemo or radiation necessary. He recovered quickly and the following year we made a memorable trip to Italy with our whole family. Then last year, the cancer returned and our lives changed forever. Throughout all treatments and surgery he remained incredibly strong and matter of fact about his disease and his philosophy on life itself. He was my rock and soul-mate and I will miss him forever. He reminded me over and over.....Life goes on.....Love is immortal.....and his directive to me was.....absolutely "No Blubbering!"....sometimes a difficult goal.

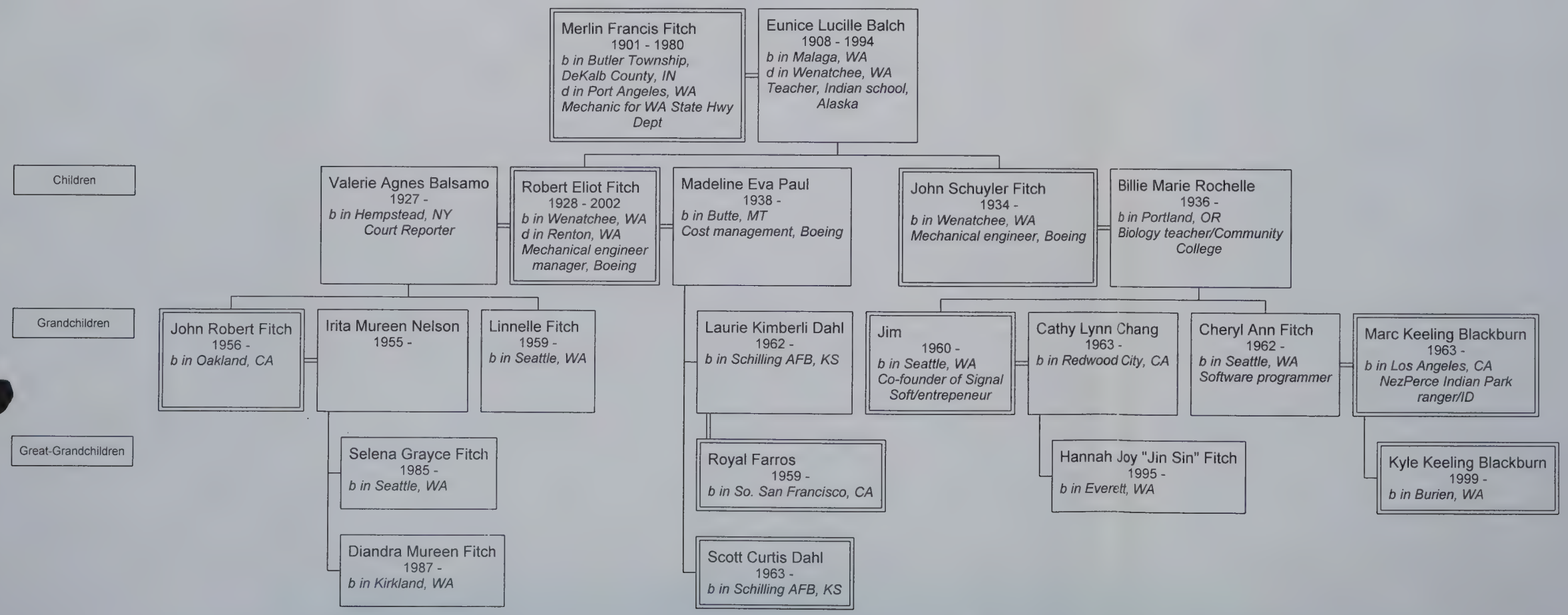
Life <u>does</u> go on.....he is right!!!! Laurie and Royal will be parents for the first time, very soon. We are all very excited about this coming baby girl. She is truly a miracle baby, because they have wanted a child for some time and were told that it probably wasn't going to happen.....So there you go.....life goes on.....Wouldn't Bob be *pleased?!?!!!!*.... Somehow I think he knows! We have a whole new focus.....and what a blessing!.

As you can guess, I will spend the holidays in California with the new little family. I will think of you all and wish you many blessings in the coming year. I am thankful to have such a wonderful family and many good friends.

Fondly, Grandma-in-Waiting.....

Madeline Fitch

Descendants of Merlin Francis Fitch



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CARROLL GIRLS GOLF TEAM - Pictured are the team members of the 2006 Carroll High School Girls Golf Team. Back (L-R) - Assistant Coach Blake Williams, Abby Fanning, Kelly Fitch, Raegan O'Neill, Katie Olson, Ashley Kees, Head Coach Bryan Koehlinger. Front - Audrey McCalley, Kelsey Riecken, Sarah Wright, Elyse Copeland, and Taryn Oyer.

McHenry. "Alyssa's (Ables) pass hit over the head of the defender and I was there."

McHenry, who missed a large portion of last season with a leg injury, has seven goals in three games, and has scored at least twice in all three games.

"I work a lot harder since I missed time last year," admitted McHenry.

Coach Smith loves having a healthy McHenry on

different people have been getting her the ball," said Smith. "It's about the team, not just Chelsi, but I am glad for her that she's putting them in."

Carroll was again able to put a pair of goals together early in the second half.

Junior Michaela Shaw made the score with an unassisted goal that bounced off of Concord's Colleen Finn and past Concord keeper Alison Roberts.

Roberts' save of Heather Leffers' shot bounced to Gordon right in front of the net for an easy conversion.

"We were at this same point last season," said Smith of the 3-0 start. "We just want to keep it going."

Carroll's Reserve team also defeated Concord, winning 2-0.

Last Tuesday night, the Lady Chargers defeated NHC foe Norwell 8-0.

McHenry led the way with three goals and an

(8/31) against Snider at Heffner Field in Fort Wayne. The Reserve game will begin at 5 p.m.

This weekend, Carroll will attempt to defend their Hoosier Cup Championship in Bloomington.

The Lady Chargers will play a team from Louisville, KY on Friday with two more games on Saturday.

"This will be a good week for us," concluded Smith.

Carroll Girls Volleyball ...

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"They played with great composure and controlled the tempo the way they wanted to. They turned the game into a slugfest and they slugged us," added Helsom.

In game one, Carroll took an early 4-1 lead behind an ace by junior Darcie Faylor, and attacks by junior Stephanie Crow and freshman Moriah Fair.

The early lead turned into a large deficit, as Dwenger rolled off 14 of the next 18 points. Two of

stretch were on Dwenger service errors.

Dwenger (10-2) won game one 25-15.

The Lady Saints came out hot in game two, taking an early 6-1 lead and led 24-17 late, before a brief Carroll rally.

Behind a switch at setter, Carroll clawed back. Meagan Archer entered the game at setter to allow Faylor to be used as both a passer and scorer.

"The way we are struggling with passing the ball right now, we need every

and Darcy is one of our better passers," said Helsom. "Until we start controlling the ball in serve/receive, it doesn't matter who is the setter, because they aren't going to see the ball anyway."

Carroll took advantage of three errors by Bishop Dwenger, twice being in the net, and once being out of position before a serve to pull within four.

Senior Courtney Perrine eventually shot a serve long and out-of-bounds to end the game at 25-22.

Carroll built a 13-7 lead

Perrine and a kill by Maddie Kinast highlighted the early rally, but Dwenger was able to force their way back.

The Lady Saints scored 11 straight points to take a 18-13 lead, and went on to win 25-22.

Voors led Dwenger with 14 kills, 18 digs, and three solo blocks in the win.

"You can't stay back on your heels and let her attack you," said Helsom of Voors. "She will beat you up in a hurry. She is one of the best players, if not the best player, in the area."

Faylor, Perrine, and

Arriving at Luncheon

Elaine Houser Kirbach and her husband arrived early at the luncheon.

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ESTHER K. BENDER, 91, died at 3:40 p.m. Monday at Golden Years Homestead. Born in Grabill, Mrs. Bender was a lifelong area resident. Her husband, Harry, died in 1966. Surviving are a daughter, Loraine Ehle, of New Haven; three sons, William Joseph, of Auburn, Levon, of Leo, and Max, of Royal Palm Beach, Fla.; two brothers, Lloyd Klopfenstein and Vernon Klopfenstein, both of Grabill; and 10 grandchildren. Services at 11 a.m. Thursday at D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road, with calling from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today. Burial in Leo Cemetery. Memorials to Leo United Methodist Church or Leo United Methodist Womens Society.

O. P. Maurer's observe wedding anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver P. Maurer of South Union street extended will host a reception for their parents in anniversary to which they have invited friends and relatives of the family. The reception will be held this Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. at Peoples Federal Savings and Loan Association community room at 1212 South Randolph street.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurer were married March 24, 1927 by Rev. McKnight in the St. Joe Methodist parsonage, St. Joe, Ind. Mrs. Maurer was the former Ileen Johnson, Concord. She was born Feb. 13, 1904. Mr. Maurer was born Jan. 26, 1898. They are the parents of seven children. Paul, Zephyrhills, Fla.; Wayne, Corunna; Herbert, 501 North Randolph street; Mrs. Ward (Florence) Dauber, Bronson, Mich.; Herman, at home; Wilbur, Union street; and Mrs. Maynard (Helen) Gray, Sturgis, Mich. A son died at birth. There are 22 grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

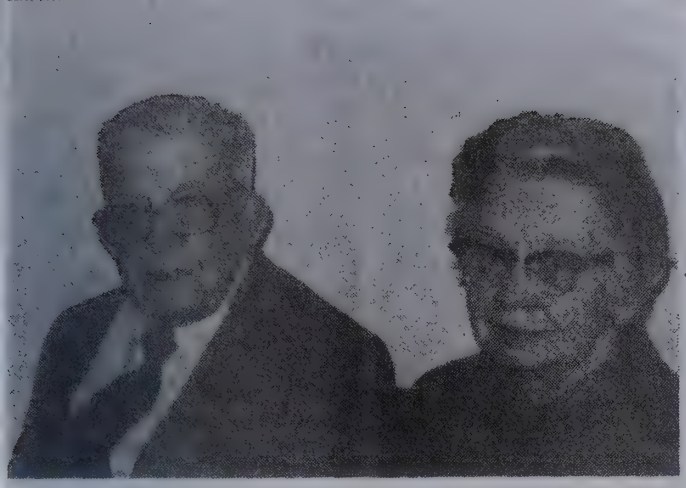
The Maurer's have resided on their 60 acre farm since they were married. Mr. Maurer has farmed and also cleaned B.&O. stock cars for many years and for thirty years has been caretaker of Calvary Cemetery. He is also caretaker at Emery Cemetery. He also assisted with work at Christian Union Cemetery. His sons now assist him in the work.

Mr. Maurer has a sister, Mrs. Anna Surfus, Rt. 3, Auburn, and Mrs. Maurer has a brother Arthur Johnson of Rt. 1, Auburn, and a brother, deceased.

ANGOLA: Paul S. Hilkey, 79, died at 7:20 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Medical Center, Fort Wayne. He retired from Phelps-Dodge in 1967. Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; two sons, David and Douglas; two daughters, Mary Wappes and Nancy Reese; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. **Graveside services at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Cedar Creek Cemetery, Garrett. Calling from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.** Memorials to DeKalb or Steuben County Cancer Society.

AUBURN: **Wilson W. Houser, 77,** died at 11:50 p.m. Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, Fort Wayne. He retired from International Harvester in 1974 after 40 years. Surviving are his wife, Dora A.; two sons, Marvin W. of Auburn and John E. of Fort Wayne; a daughter, Janice E. Leas of Auburn; three sisters, Maurene Moss and Edith Surfus, both of Auburn, and Ruth Lee of Waterloo; two brothers, Robert J. of Coldwater, Mich., and James A. of North Fort Myers, Fla.; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. **Services at 2 p.m. Tuesday at McComb-Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home, Auburn. Calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. today with Masonic services at 8 p.m.** Burial in Cedar Creek Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett. Memorials to Cedar Creek Cemetery Association or Parkview Memorial Hospital oncology.

Clippings of Esther Fitch friends + Neighbors



Mr. and Mrs. Russell Housel married 50 years

Mr. and Mrs. Russell W. Housel, R. 1, Garrett, will be guests of honor at a dinner on June 10, celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Housel and the former Helen Korff were married June 12, 1929, at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Auburn by Rev. O. B. Noren. They have resided on their farm south of Garrett since 1930. Mr. Housel is a farmer and member of the Elks, Moose and former State Representative. Mrs. Housel is employed at the Garrett Veterinarian Clinic where she has been for the past twenty-two years. Both are members of Altar Star Methodist Church.

The dinner for the immediate family will be hosted by the couple's children, Frederick E. Housel, of Winchester, and Shirley A. Robinson of Westerville, Ohio. In addition to the honored guests, their five grandchildren, John, Cheryl, and Ronald Housel and Steven and Mindy Robinson will be in attendance.

Anna Surfus honored on 80th birthday

The family of Mrs. Anna (Maurer) Surfus, of northeast of Garrett, hosted a buffet luncheon on Sunday, May 17, in honor of her 80th birthday at the PFS&L community room, Auburn.

Among the 130 guests were family, friends and many teacher associates.

Mrs. Surfus was born in Garrett, the daughter of the late Gottlieb and Mary Maurer.

She was a graduate of Garrett High School, Tri-State University, Angola, and St. Francis College, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Surfus retired May, 1968, after 30 years of teaching. She was a fifth grade teacher at the J. E. Ober Elementary School since 1956. She started teaching at the former Sugar Grove School, southeast of Garrett. She has also taught in Butler, Keyser and Richland Townships.

She married John B. Surfus in 1923. He died in October 1958. There are four children: Marie A. Wappes and Robert Surfus, both of Auburn; Joan Hicks, Fort Wayne; and John Surfus, Saginaw, Mich.

Mrs. Surfus is a member of the Garrett Presbyterian Church and Garrett Delphian Society. She was active in many school organizations and Garrett Business and Professional Women's Club.

MRS. MABEL HALL

Mrs. Mabel Hall, 67, of Harlan, died at 7 a.m. yesterday in Parkview Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient three weeks.

A lifelong resident of the Harlan area, she is survived by her husband, Edward; a daughter, Mrs. Rex Burden, Fort Wayne; a son, Keith, Harlan; a sister, Mrs. Esther Bender, Leo; four brothers, Aaron, Vernon, and Lloyd, Grabill, and Herman, New Haven; and one grandson.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Leo Christian Apostolic Church, the Rev. David Bertsch officiating. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery. Friends may call at Oetting Funeral Home, Harlan, after 7 p.m. today and at the church from noon until service time Wednesday.

SAINT JOE: Neva Belle Hursh, 96, died at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. Her husband, Harry, died in 1948. Surviving are nieces. **Services at 11 a.m. Friday in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville; calling from 5 to 9 p.m. today.** Memorials to St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe.

SOUTH WHITLEY: Esther May Uhrick, 72

AUBURN — Pauline May Miller, 80, died at 7:15 p.m. Saturday at her residence. The widow of Lloyd, she is survived by one sister, Neva Hursh, of St. Joe. Services at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville, with calling from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today.

FRANKLIN L. DAMMANN, 58, died Wednesday evening at Parkview Memorial Hospital. Born in Garrett, he lived in Allen County for 13 years. Mr. Dammann worked as an instructor at Interstate Technical Institute for 12 years. Surviving are a son, Steve, of New Haven. **Services at 1 p.m. Saturday at E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 U.S. Highway 30 East, New Haven. Calling 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. today.** Burial in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

AUBURN — Charles A. "Jake" Timmermann, 75, was found dead on the ninth tee of the Greenhurst Country Club's golf course at 8:30 a.m. Friday. Mr. Timmermann was the greenskeeper for the club. Surviving are his wife, Ethel; eight daughters, five stepdaughters, six sons and a stepson. Services are 2 p.m. Monday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, with calling after 2 p.m. Sunday. Memorials to the heart fund.

COMMEMORATION OF ANNIVERSARIES

MR. and MRS. GEORGE BEAMS

ROBERT and LUCY DUVALL

GEORGE and MYRTLE BEAMS

In commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the marriage of George Beams and the late Myrtle Haifley Beams, open house will be held from 1:30 to 6:30 Sunday, June 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Beams at Spencerville.

The late Mrs. Beams died July 26, 1919. The couple was married June 15, 1904.

The open house is also in commemoration of the 46th anniversary of the marriage of Robert Duvall, deceased, and Lucy Ferrel Duvall on Nov. 25, 1908. Mr. Duvall died March 19, 1919.

The date will also be observed as the 34th anniversary of the marriage of George Beams to Mrs. Lucy Duvall. They were married on Oct. 27, 1920.

Three children were born to the first union, Forrest Beams of Hicksville, Ohio, A[illegible] 29, 1905; Garnett Beams Edwards of Arcadia, Calif., Nov. 13, 1907, and Howard Beams of Fremont, March 9, 1910.

The family requests that no gifts be sent.

A family dinner will be held at Chaney's restaurant at Spencerville at the noon hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Beams reside in the house which Mr. Beams built when he and his first wife were married.

He taught school for 10 years after the marriage, part of the time in grade schools in Allen county and some of the time in DeKalb county grade schools.

Mr. Beams is still active, farming a total of 190 acres, 160 acres of which are in Allen county and the other 30 acres in DeKalb county.

Alma Sinders

GARRETT — Alma G. Sinders, 82, of Route 1, died today at 1:50 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, after a long illness. She had been an area resident for 43 years.

A homemaker, Mrs. Sinders was born Sept. 9, 1902 in Knox, Ind. to Clyde and Margurite Stanton. She married Carl Sinders on Aug. 29, 1935 in Mishawaka. He survives.

Also surviving are one son, Kenneth R. Headley, South Bend; two daughters, Pauline Decker, Largo, Fla. and Fern Kidd, Kokomo; two sisters, Cleo Whitrock, Medaryville, Ind. and Ruth Kuskye, South Bend; two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Besides her parents, a brother, Woodrow Stanton, preceded Mrs. Sinders in death.

She was a member of the Altarstar United Methodist Church, Garrett; the Garrett Order of the Eastern Star; and the Butler Township Homemakers Club.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Rev. Adams, a former pastor of the Altarstar Church, will officiate.

Friends may call from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the St. Joseph Memorial Cemetery at Mishawaka.

The family asks that memorials be directed to the Altarstar United Methodist Church.

EARL F. HODGES, 83, died at 8:30 a.m. Friday at Golden Years Homestead. A lifelong resident of Allen County, he retired as a farmer. Surviving are a stepson, William Smith of Spencerville; a stepdaughter, Marguerite Kaiser of Spencerville; a sister, Doris Frye of North Manchester; five step-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren. **Services at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Harlan. Calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday at Hockemeyer Funeral Home, Harlan, and one hour before services at the church.** Burial in Colby Cemetery, Cecil, Ohio. Memorials to the church.

GARRETT: Fannie Mae Knapp, 57, died Friday morning at DeKalb Memorial Hospital. Surviving are her husband, Norman; two sons, Larry, of Garrett, and Terry, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a sister, Sue Ann Myers, of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Russell Rowe and Joe Rowe, both of Fort Wayne; five grandchildren; and four stepgrandchildren. **Services at 2 p.m. Sunday at Garrett Presbyterian Church. Calling 2 to 9 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, and an hour before services at the church.** Memorials to DeKalb County Cancer Society or the church.

SPENCERVILLE: Gale T. Bowser, 81, died at 3:35 p.m. Sunday at Community Hospital North, Indianapolis. He retired as a machinist for General Electric Co. in 1970. His wife, Janice, died in 1986. Surviving are two sons, James of St. Joseph, Mich., and Jerry of Indianapolis; two sisters, Cleo Reed of Auburn and Ada Sutter of Highland; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. **Services at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Spencerville United Methodist Church. Calling from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, with Masonic service at 8 p.m.** Burial in White City Cemetery. Memorials to church

John Gordons celebrate 50th anniversary July 3

Twenty-two members of the ımilies and close relatives of Ir. and Mrs. John F. Gordon of 300 South Lee street, joined ıe Gordons in celebrating their ioiden Wedding Anniversary aturday, July 3, at their home.

All were guests of the iordons at Shippy's Steak Iouse at 6:30 p.m., after which he group returned to the iordon residence, where a ıeautiful wedding cake and ice ream was served.

Mr. Gordon and the former Katherine DeVeny were mrried uly 3, 1932, at the Garrett Methodist Church by Rev. Burl M. Bechdolt. They are the ıarents of two sons, Kent D., leceased; and Stephen F. Gordon of Fort Wayne.

Mr. Gordon retired nine years ıgo from International Harvest-er Co., Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Gordon retired from the KFS Studio. They enjoy the winter months in Florida.

Both are members of the Garrett United Methodist Church.

Attending the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen F. Gordon and daughters, Kelly, Leslie and Casey of Fort Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. William Byanski and sons, Kirk, Kris and Kyle Gordon and daughter, Mary Byanski of Avon Lake, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. (Dorothea) Snepp, Auburn; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gordon, Inverness, Fla.; Mrs. James H. Short and children, Stephanie and Jonathon, of Houston, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Harvey, Avilla; and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stebing of Garrett. Mr. Short, who was unable to attend, telephoned his congratulations.

Hoshaws celebrate 50th anniversary Nov. 29

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Hoshaw of 807 South Lee street, will observe their 50th wedding anniversay on Nov. 29.

Mr. Hoshaw married the former Fern I. Menges on Nov. 29, 1928. They are the parents of a daughter, Mrs. Robert Freeman, north of Helmer and six grandsons.

He worked for the B. & O. Police Department from Jan. 1, 1921, until May 15, 1932. They then lived on a farm in Butler Township, near St. Johns, farming and buying livestock until his retirement in 1970, when they moved to their present address.

Mrs. Hoshaw was a schoolteacher having taught three years in Fulton County, Ohio, and three years in Butler Township.

He has two sisters living, Mrs. Dorotha Loft of Dayton, Ind., and Mrs. Gladys Haughn of Muncie. Mrs. Hoshaw has a sister, Mrs. Berniece Dazey in Florida.

Due to their health the Hoshaws will quietly observe their anniversary at home.

Former Garrett resident dies

Richard G. Kruger, 46, Edmonds, Wash., a former Garrett resident and son of Edward Kruger, 201 Second street, and brother of Gary Kruger, 401 East Keyser street, died suddenly July 26 of a heart attack on his boat near Nansimo, Canada.

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Edmonds.

Mr. Kruger was an engineer with Seattle Boiler Works. He graduated from Garrett High School in 1949 and was married to the former Phyllis Grogg of near Holiday Lakes.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Karen, at home, his father and brother.

The primary department of the St. Joe School, DeKalb County, 1908-09, is shown in this photo loaned by the teacher, Nettie Palmer Baker, 2415 Leroy Ave. First row, left to right—Florence Williams, Edith Berry, Albert Wade, Correl Simanton, Dorothy Scholes and Dorothy Bowman. Second row—Gerald Kinsey, Carl Perkins, Russel Hathaway, Victor White, Vernon Woodcox and Charlie Curie. Third row—Pauline Barney, Galen Betz, Clayton Hathaway, Marie Ice, Walter Keesler and Ima Scholes. Fourth row—Virgil Perry, George Tustison, Olive Ridgway, Alma Nelson and Stanton Osburn.

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Matilda M. Grogg

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home for Matilda M. Grogg, 78, of 5131 Welwyn Court, who died at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. Grogg, an Allen County native, retired in 1970 from the dietary department of Parkview Memorial Hospital after 17 years.

Surviving are a son, Doyle L. of Oxnard, Calif.; a daughter, Carol Brunner of Fort Wayne; three sisters, Priscilla Bacher of Wolford, N.D., Lillian Zimmerman of Valley City, N.D., and Mabel Erwin of Fort Wayne; and a brother, Harley Witmer of Fort Wayne.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home. Burial will be in Leo Cemetery.

Indiana

AUBURN — Wayne H. Surfus, 82, died at 12:50 p.m. Friday in Betz Nursing Home. Survivng are his wife, Edith; two sons and nine grandchildren. Services at 11 a.m. Monday in D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel, Auburn. Calling at the funeral home from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday, with a Masonic service by Huntertown Masonic Lodge at 7:30 p.m. Memorials to Alderstar United Methodist Church or Huntertown Masonic Lodge.

NORTH MANCHESTER

AUBURN: Edith Surfus, 83, died at 8:35 a.m. Sunday at the DeKalb Health Care Center in Auburn. She was a homemaker and a seamstress. Her husband, Wayne H., died in 1984. Surviving are two sons, Richard S. of Garrett and Donald E. of Wolcottville; two sisters, Maurene Moss of Auburn and Ruth Lee of Waterloo; two brothers, Robert J. Houser of Elkhart and James A. Houser of Fort Myers, Fla.; one stepbrother, S. Duane Chandler of South Milford; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren. **Services at 11 a.m. Wednesday at McComb, Dilgard & Cline Funeral Home in Auburn. Calling from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday.** Burial in Cedar Chapel Cemetery in rural Garrett. Memorials to the cemetery association or the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

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Death

Charles Timmerman

Charles A. (Jake) Timmerman, 75, 1037 Steve St., died Friday at 8:30 a.m. on the ninth green at Greenhurst Country Club, where he was employed as a maintenance person.

He was born in Spencerville to John and Mary Timmerman, and was first married Dec. 25, 1926 to Marjorie Furnish, who died Aug. 1, 1964. His second marriage was to Mary Ethel Lindley on Jan. 29, 1967, and she survives.

Mr. Timmerman retired in 1967 after 25 years at General Electric. He was a member of the GE Quarter-Century Club and a former member of the GE Volunteer Fire Department.

Surviving with his wife are nine daughters: Mozella Edgar of Angola; Elois Fry of Butler; Patricia Melchi of Spencerville; Shirley Zimmerman of Anchorage, Alaska; Anita Fry of Butler; Norma Dickson of Auburn; Sharon Snyder of Leo; Darlene Zimmerman of Leo and Loree Baker of Brementon, Wash.; five sons, Victor of Butler; Louis of Auburn; Howard of Spencerville; James of Shelby, Ohio, and Keith of Spencerville.

Also surviving are four step-daughters: Carrol Schuohart of Antwerp, Ohio; Barbara Savage of Auburn, Virginia Congleton of Fort Wayne, Kathryn Wetoskey of New Haven and Juanita Baughman of Angola; a step-son, DeWayne Likes of Butler; 46 grandchildren; 23 step-grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren, and 30 step-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo with Rev. Al Black officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday. Memorials may be sent to the American Heart Fund.

Family to gather in memory of Frank Pulver

by Tamara Lyons
Features Editor

NWN photo by Tamara Lyons

Phyllis Fitch (left) visited her sister, Mary Kathryn Rudolph, at the Kingston Care Center to share memories about their grandpa, Frank Pulver. The family is gathering in honor of Frank during the Huntertown Heritage Days Festival this weekend and Fitch, along with other family members, will walk in the Huntertown Heritage Days Parade.

FORT WAYNE – Phyllis Fitch and her sister, Mary Kathryn Rudolph, cannot recall countless stories about their grandpa since he died when they were children but they both remember him as a kind and gentle man.

His name was Frank Pulver, and Fitch said he moved to Huntertown as a young man sometime around 1870. In 1872 he married his first wife who later died in childbirth, Fitch said, leaving him to raise three children, including the newborn infant.

About 15 years later, he married Mary Kell and together they had three children, including the sisters' father, Harry.

The sisters and their siblings lived in their grandparents' two-story house at the corner of Coldwater and Pion roads.

Both women recall what a loving man Pulver was to his grandchildren, peeling their apples and holding them near the hot coals so they could stay warm.

"He would get one of us on one knee and one of us on the other," Fitch said.

Since Pulver was a farmer with about 180 acres of land, there were always farm hands in the kitchen, Fitch recalled.

He performed other jobs as well in Huntertown. Pulver was a Perry Township assessor and he taught for a short time at a school that was located at Coldwater and Gump roads.

Eventually, he operated orange groves in Florida.

Pulver had one of the first automobiles in Allen County and Rudolph remembers her grandpa taking her for many rides in it.

His descendents will gather Aug. 1 at the pavilion behind Huntertown Elementary School for a reunion that will be held in his memory.

It will be the 53rd reunion for the Pulver family.

Rudolph, who lives in the Kingston Care Center in Ft. Wayne, will not be able to attend the gathering but said it could attract between 75 and 100 relatives.

The Pulver family, including Fitch and her brother, Jim Pulver, will be in the Huntertown Heritage Days parade.

Walter and Marscell (McComb) Sloffer will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary with their family. The Sloffers were married in a double ceremony with Marscell's sister, Phyllis and Frances Brown on August 12, 1939, at Huntertown United Methodist Church. Walter retired from teaching in Northwest Allen County schools in 1978. They have six children and their spouses, Charlotte and Steve Klerner, Dan and Jean Sloffer, Sam and Linda Sloffer, Phil and Susie Sloffer, Paul and Barbara Sloffer, and David and Vanessa Sloffer. They also have 16 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

REGISTRATION CARD

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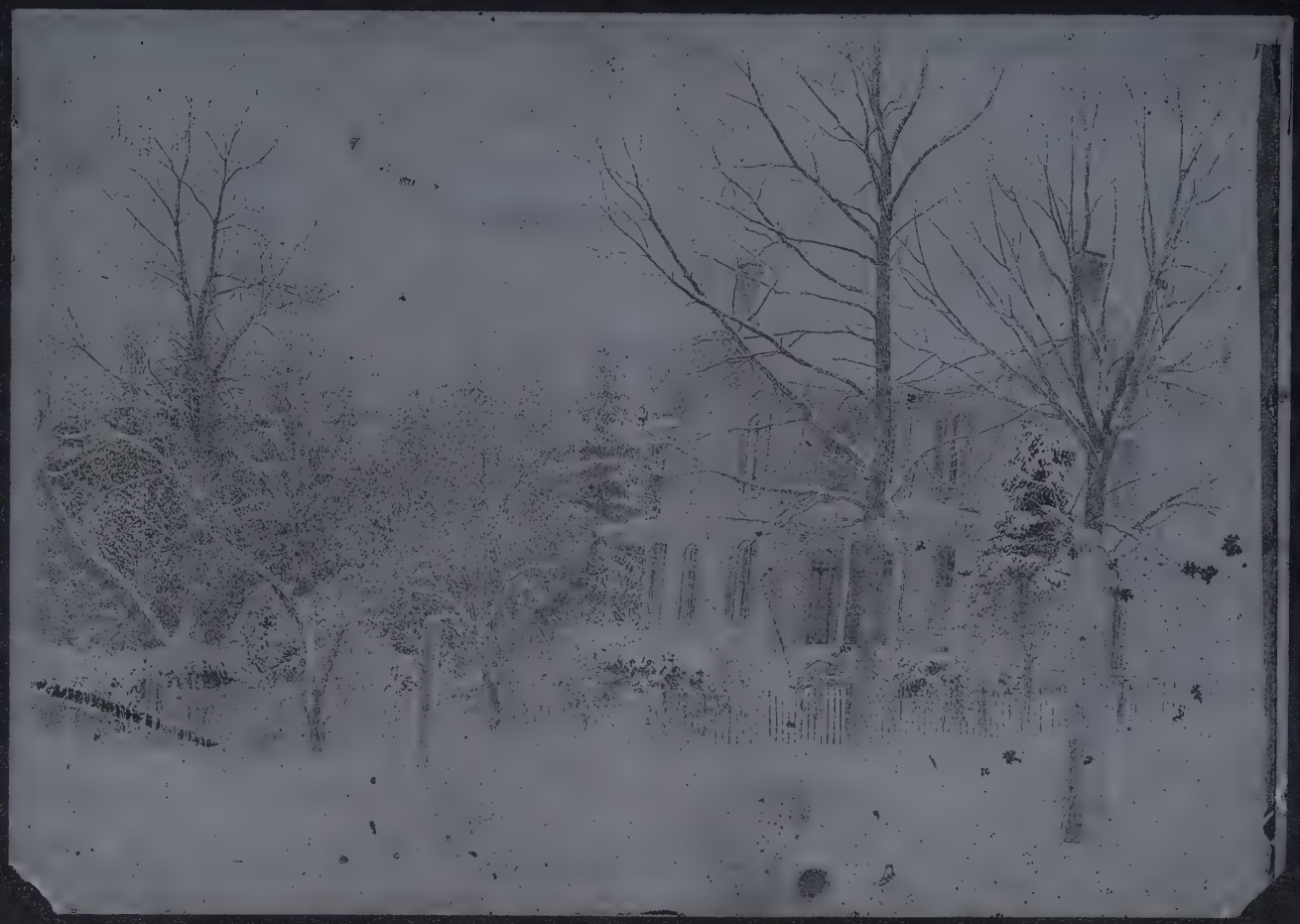

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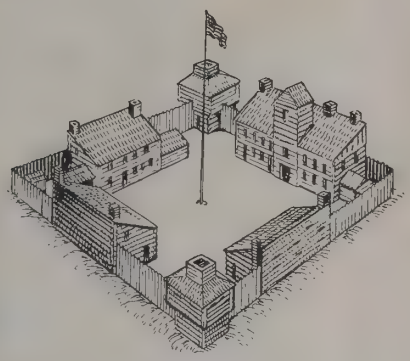
The Water-Powered Mills of Allen County, Indiana

Roy M. Bates



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No attempt has been made in this issue to deal with the technical aspects of the subject, this being simply a correlation of facts obtained and checked through many sources. Space prevents us from delving into the many phases of milling operations, nor can we explain in detail here, the various items of mill equipment. It is hoped that at some future date, an issue of *The Old Fort News* may be allotted to the broader aspects of this water-powered mill story, but in this particular issue we are primarily concerned with the story of the individual mills.

THE WATER-POWERED MILLS
of
ALLEN COUNTY, INDIANA

Roy M. Bates

"I wandered by the brookside,
I wandered by the mill,
I could not hear the brook flow,
The noisy wheel was still."

—Richard Moncton Milnes.

They are all still; not a single water-powered mill is in operation in Allen County today. From 1827 to 1885 there were thirty-five of these old mills erected along the major streams of this county. They served their purpose well but were eventually forced to yield to the competition of modern equipment and methods, and one by one they gave up the ghost.

Many of these mills were forced to go out of business or install steam equipment, due to the failure of the water supply. In the earlier days, the countryside was quite heavily forested and the watersheds were bordered by low swampy areas. These areas formed reservoirs which withheld supplies of water that gradually fed water into the streams throughout the dry portion of the summer season, allowing milling operations to continue. Tile drainage and the removal of forested areas, resulted in acute water shortages. No swamp areas or shaded leaf-mold are left to retain water from rainfall and thereby regulate its running-off to the streams.

The coming of the twentieth century saw only a few of these mills still carrying on, and by 1912, the lone survivor had ceased operating. Thirty years have elapsed since that time and a visit to any of these mill-sites today will show you how thoroughly the elements and time have erased from the picture practically all evidence of their former existence. With one exception, all mill buildings have been removed from their original sites or have been dismantled. The dams which diverted water for mill operation have all been eradicated. The men who erected these mills have long since passed on. There are a few men and women living who have some knowledge of the details of these mills; some were employed in the mills, others resided in the vicinity; some are descendants of former owners or operators, and it is from these people that we have obtained much of the information presented here.

The story of these water-powered mills constitutes an almost forgotten chapter of our early industrial activity. Those people interested in this subject realize that already considerable information concerning these mills has slipped away from us never to be reclaimed, and that in a few decades much more will have been lost through failure to record the facts while still obtainable from the descendants of the original owners. We must rely on those mentioned above for as many of the details as can be gleaned.

The Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Department of Conservation are vitally interested in preserving as much of the historical background of these water mills of Indiana as can be obtained. It has been our desire to aid in this work locally, and to that end, a small group of Allen County citizens have given many days of their time and have driven many miles to locate those people best able to supply us with the wanted information. Those who have aided unstintingly in this effort are O. R. Kelsey, Donald Smith, and Albert Ginther of Fort Wayne.

Others who have lent valuable assistance are Lindley J. Baldwin, Winifred Randall, Harley Somers, Frank Emrick, Orange Cook, H. A. S. Levering and Louis Centlivre, all of Fort Wayne, Henry Van Hoosen of Aboite Township, Hale Ashley and Theodore Goeglein of St. Joseph Township, August Brenneke of Maumee Township, Charles N. King and Preston Snyder of Marion Township, Louis McCartney of Cedar Creek Township, Charles J. Pepe and Harvey Fitch of Perry Township, and Josiah Adam of Adams Township. The work has been aided and encouraged by Dr. Christopher B. Coleman, Director of the Indiana Historical Bureau and Miss Caroline Dunn, Librarian of the William Henry Smith Memorial Library of Indianapolis.

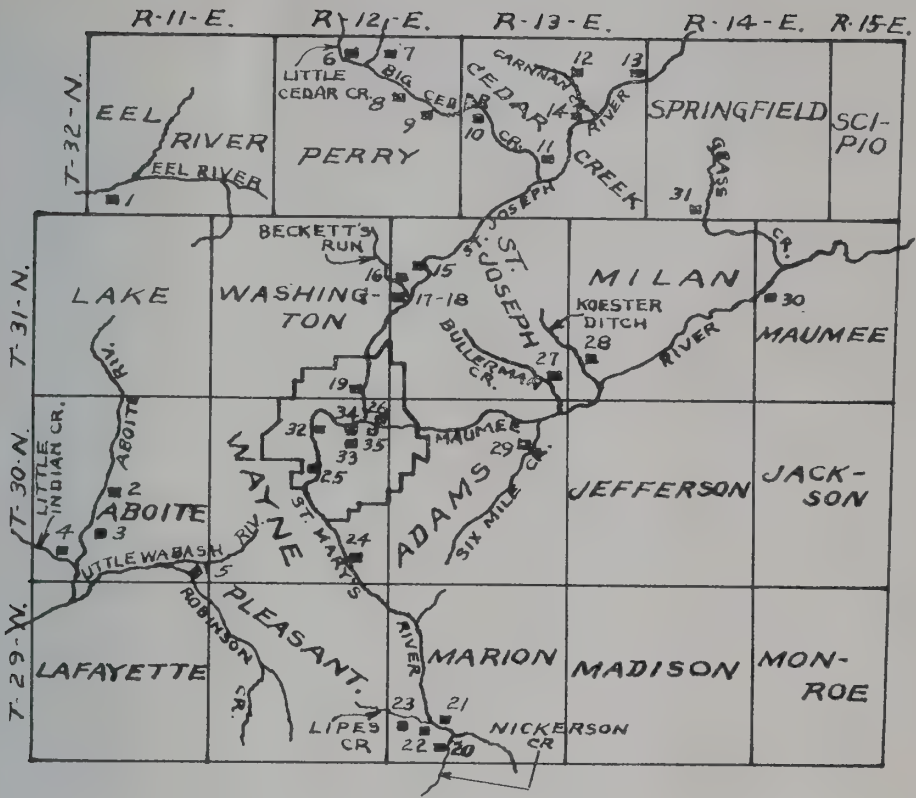
Our efforts have brought to light thirty-five of these water-powered mills formerly operating in Allen County, and we are convinced that this list is complete. Some mills have been reported to us as having used water for power, and which later investigation proved not to be the case. On the following pages we have grouped these mills by watersheds, comprising the principal streams of the county and their tributaries, and in all cases the mills are shown in their order from the headwaters of the stream to its mouth, except the mills deriving their power from the Wabash and Erie Canal, which are listed from west to east.

The major streams and the number of mills located on each are as follows: Eel River, 1 mill; The Little Wabash River (including Aboite River and Indian and Robinson Creeks) 4 mills; Big Cedar Creek (including Little Cedar Creek) 6 mills; The St. Joseph River (including Carnnan Creek and Becketts Run) 8 mills; The St. Marys River (including Nickerson and Lipes Creeks) 6 mills; the Maumee River (including Six Mile Creek, Koester Ditch, Bullerman, and Grass Creeks) 6 mills; and the Wabash and Erie Canal, 4 mills.

The greatest concentration of these mills in Allen County was within the present limits of the city of Fort Wayne and northward along the St. Joseph River and Big Cedar Creek. With one exception no water-powered mills were ever erected in the southeast portion of the county comprising the area lying south of the Maumee River and eastward from the St. Marys River. This was due to the flatness of the land and the sluggishness of the streams.

A census report of Indiana taken in 1840 shows that nineteen water-powered mills were in operation in Allen County at that time, with a total capital investment of $34,400 and the value of the finished products of these mills amounted to $54,000. There were at that time 14 sawmills, 2 grist mills and 3 flouring mills. The same reports show that 2352 water-powered mills were in operation in Indiana at that time; 204 were flour mills, 846 grist mills, 1248 sawmills, and 54 oil mills. This serves to indicate the extent to which water was relied upon for power in those early days. The census of mills taken at that time was based on the type of products produced; for example, if a single establishment sawed lumber and also ground grain, this was treated as two mills, whereas in the following accounts, we have listed them as one unit.

During the months involved in obtaining the data on Allen County water-mills, we have interviewed approximately one hundred and forty persons with some knowledge of the subject. Of this number, Mr. Orange Cook of Fort Wayne is probably the best informed man on water-powered mills in the county. His earlier years were spent in mill operation (see Cedarville Mill) and his knowledge of the subject is thorough. He is the only man in the county that we have been able to locate, who, if called upon, could still dress a mill stone or buhr, and if the occasion demanded, he could supervise the construction of the old type timbered dam. There are several men in the county who could still carry on mill operations and build dams but men in this locality who can dress buhrs are as scarce as skippers of square riggers.



ALLEN COUNTY INDIANA
SHOWING LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL STREAMS AND WATER POWERED MILLS

EEL RIVER

1 SMITH & DEFFENDERFER 1852-?

LITTLE WABASH RIVER

2 HAMILTON'S MILL 1853-1865
3 THE BAYLESS MILL 1848-1865
4 THE KELSEY MILL 1853-1860
5 HORNEY ROBINSON'S MILL 1834-1860

BIG & LITTLE CEDAR CREEKS

6 THE FITCH MILL 1840-1908
7 STONER'S MILL 1834-1910
8 THE JASON HATCH MILL 1834-1855-8
9 GLOYD'S MILL 1839-1900
10 VAN ZILES MILL 1858-1896-7
11 THE CEDARVILLE MILL ?-1911-12

ST. JOSEPH RIVER

12 ZENTNER'S MILL 1885-1897
13 HURSCHTOWN MILLS 1858-1906
14 THE MANNING MILLS 1840-1908
15 THE SWIFT & GOSHORN MILL 1834-1859
16 THE KLINGER & COMPARET MILL 1835-?
17 THE JOHNS MILL 1836-1860
18 THE FT. WAYNE PAPER MILL 1866-1890
19 THE RUDISILL MILL 1830-1887

ST. MARY'S RIVER

20 THE LIPES MILL 1851-1861
21 MULDOON'S MILL 1840-1869
22 THE CODY MILL 1871-1883
23 THE ESSIG MILL 1850-1860
24 STELLHORN'S SAW MILL ?-1873
25 THE ESMOND MILL 1827-1888

MAUMEE RIVER

26 WINES MILL 1834-1871
27 SHORDON'S MILL 1858-1868
28 BOWER'S MILL ?-1861
29 TOWNSEND'S MILL 1828-?
30 THE ASHTON MILL 1836-1865
31 THE PRICE SAW MILL 1859-1880

THE WABASH & ERIE CANAL

32 ORFF'S MILL 1843-1883
33 THE CITY MILLS 1843-1883
34 THE WM. ROBINSON MILL 1842-1873
35 SUMMIT CITY — WOOLEN MILLS 1843-1883

I. SMITH & DIFFENDERFER SAWMILL

Interviews with some of the older residents of Eel River and Lake Townships have failed to uncover any information concerning this mill. About the only available information is found on page 150 of Kingman Brothers' *History of Allen County, Indiana,* published in 1880.

This was a sash sawmill and was erected in 1852 by Smith & Diffenderfer on the Eel River, at the village of Heller's Corners. Much of the timber fabricated at this mill was used in the building of new homes, that were being erected to replace the log houses.

The mill was situated in the northeast quarter of Section 31, Eel River Township, on land owned by Samuel Diffenderfer, and, after a few years of operation, it was abandoned and the building soon deteriorated and was eventually torn down. Peter Heller erected a steam grist mill in 1855 a short distance from the Smith & Diffenderfer mill.

II. HAMILTON'S MILL

William Hamilton purchased a tract of land in Section 17, Aboite Township in 1833, and twenty years later erected the second sawmill in the township; the first being erected by Lott S. Bayless. Hamilton's Mill was located on the right (west) bank of the Aboite River, near the intersection of the present Aboite Center and Hamilton Roads.

Mr. Henry Van Hoosen, a life-long resident of Aboite Township, now 84 years of age, has supplied us with information regarding the Hamilton, Bayless and Kelsey Mills. Mr. Van Hoosen is a nephew of William Hamilton and is the oldest native of the township now residing within its borders. Mr. Van Hoosen's father, Nathaniel, erected the first cabin in Aboite Township for Benjamin Rogers.

The Hamilton Mill was a two-story frame structure, 50x30 feet in size and equipped with a single upright saw. The building stood at the right abutment of the dam, which was 300 to 350 feet in length and 5 feet in height. The race was very short and the mill equipment was powered by a large wooden turbine wheel.

Mr. Hamilton was the only operator of the mill during its existence and much of the mill's output of lumber was taken to the Wabash and Erie Canal about two and a half miles to the south and shipped to Fort Wayne. The mill quit business about 1865 and the building stood until about 1870, when a flood washed the building from its foundation, against a nearby bridge after which the building was dismantled.

Mr. Hamilton was very active and served as trustee of the township for many years.

III. THE BAYLESS MILL

The Bayless sawmill was erected in 1848 by Lott S. Bayless on his land in the southeast quarter of Section 20, Aboite Township, just west of the present Hamilton Road.

The building, two stories in height, was situated on the left bank of the Aboite River and was equipped with an upright saw and a track and car for the conveyance of logs.

The dam, which was about 300 feet in length and 5 feet in height, was located about one quarter mile above the mill and was constructed of timbers about 18 inches square.

The mill was powered at first with a large over-shot wheel, which proved to be too large for the available water and later a smaller wheel was installed. After a few years of operation, a small stone feed grinder was added to the mill's equipment, on which corn and oats were ground for feeding livestock.

On June 1, 1860, the mill was destroyed by fire and was rebuilt, after which Alexander Holmes, brother-in-law of Mr. Bayless, took over its operation. About 1865 or 1866, the dam was washed out by spring freshets, and the mill ceased its operations. The building stood for many years before it was torn down.

Lott S. Bayless was a brother of Sol D. Bayless, prominent attorney of Fort Wayne. He became a Commissioner of Allen County and later was appointed Land Agent at Yankton, Dakota Territory. He later operated a large fruit farm near Benton Harbor, Michigan, at which plase he died August 4, 1887.

The Bayless home was located a short distance north of the mill. The home still stands and is now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Borgman, who have restored the home to its original condition, and have named it "Raggedy Pines."

IV. THE KELSEY MILL

The Kelsey sawmill was located on Little Indian Creek a short distance from its confluence with the Aboite River. It was in the southeast quarter of Section 30, Aboite Township, on the former Raccoon Indian Reservation, that James Kelsey erected this mill in the year 1853.

The building consisted of a platform about 50 feet by 30 feet, with a roof and no siding and was equipped with an upright or "muley" saw, which was powered by a wooden turbine wheel, whose operation seems to have been interfered with at times by the many muskrats frequenting the water of Little Indian Creek.

The dam was located about 160 feet upstream from the mill, and was about 200 feet in length and 7 or 8 feet in height. It was constructed of earth, rock and debris and although of fair size it was unable to supply sufficient water for full time operation of the mill.

The product of this mill was used almost entirely by the Kelsey family and a few residents in the neighborhood. James Kelsey was assisted at times in the mill by his father, William, and brothers Jonathan, David, Aaron, and Joseph.

The mill ceased to operate after 1860, probably because of the water supply problem, but the building stood until about 1875, when it was dismantled and the equipment was sold for scrap iron.

V. HORNEY ROBINSON'S MILL

Thomas Robinson came with his son, Horney, to Wayne Township in the year 1826. The following year Thomas died, and Horney purchased 80 acres of land. Later he sold his holdings in Wayne Township and, in 1834, acquired land in what is now Aboite Township, where he took up residence and remained there until his death, July 22, 1887, at the age of 81 years.

After moving to his new location (1834), Mr. Robinson immediately erected a small sawmill on Lost Creek, a small tributary of the Little Wabash River. This stream, afterwards known as Robinson Creek, flowed through Mr. Robinson's land, which at the time of purchase, was located in a small corridor of territory, afterwards assigned to Pleasant Township. Later township boundary adjustments allocated this corridor to Aboite Township and the mill site was located in what is now the southwest quarter of Section 36.

Mr. Robinson was the sole owner of the mill during its 26 years of operation (1834-1860), and much of the mill's output of lumber was shipped to Fort Wayne on the Wabash and Erie Canal, to be used in the many new buildings being erected in that period of the town's expansion.

The mill stood on the right (east) bank of Robinson Creek, about 30 rods south of the present Lower Huntington Road, at the east abutment of the dam. The building was small, being about 25x40 feet in size and was equipped with an

upright or "muley" saw, powered by an undershot wheel. The dam, which was the earth-fill type, was 300 feet long and 5 feet high, and on its crest many willow trees were planted to aid in the prevention of washouts.

The building of steam sawmills with improved equipment, in and near Fort Wayne, caused the abandonment of the Robinson Mill in 1860. The mill building gradually fell into a bad state of repair and was dismantled about 1870. The remains of the dam are plainly visible today.

Horney Robinson's land was later purchased by his step-son, Nelson Barrett, and afterward was acquired by John Carson.

Mr. Max Branstrator, of Fort Wayne, who resided for many years in the vicinity of the Robinson Mill, has given us much of this information.

VI. THE FITCH MILL

This mill and the Manning Mill at Hamilton (Leo) both began operations in the year 1840 and quit business in 1908, a record of 68 years of continuous operation, being exceeded only by Stoner's Mill, which operated continuously for 76 years, the latter holding the record for the county.

Harry Fair erected a carding mill on Little Cedar Creek in 1840. Little Cedar is a tributary of Big Cedar Creek, and the waters of the two streams merge in Perry Township about three quarters of a mile south of the Dekalb County line. The mill stood on the left bank of the stream, a short distance above its mouth, in the northeast quarter of Section 4.

The dam, about 65 feet in length and 4 feet in height, was situated in Dekalb County, about one mile upstream from the mill. The mill race serving this mill was the longest of any of the county.

The building was two stories in height and 40x20 feet in size. It was powered by an over-shot wheel. The mill was moved downstream and the race lengthened, after trouble developed with the water supply. Shortly after the mill was built it was purchased by Nathaniel Fitch, who erected a saw mill adjacent to the carding mill.

The saw mill was a one-story building, 60x20 feet. Its equipment consisted of an upright saw, which was later replaced by a circular saw, and a 6-foot turbine wheel which remains on the site today.

The carding mill was abandoned about 1869 or 1870 and the saw mill was afterward operated by Mathias Fitch, son of Nathaniel, who installed a feed-grinder and continued the mill's operation until its abandonment in 1908. The carding mill building is now serving as a stock barn on the farm of John Fitch, who has given us the above information. A portion of the saw mill fell down and the remainder was dismantled.

VII. STONERS MILL

(Known also as the Shryock Mill)

This mill operated continuously for 76 years (1834-1910), the longest service record among the 35 water-powered mills of Allen County.

Blair & Wines erected the mill in 1834, on the line between Sections 3 and 4 of Perry Township, a little less than one mile south of the Dekalb County line, on the right (west) bank of Big Cedar Creek, and near the Old Coldwater Road (now U. S. Highway 27). The mill was situated very near the confluence of Little Cedar and Big Cedar Creeks.

This was the first water-powered mill erected in Perry Township and was equipped only for sawing lumber by means of an upright saw. It is supposed that Blair and Wines were aided in their venture by outside capital. The following year (1835), Samuel Shryock acquired the mill and purchased a set of buhrs at

Dayton, Ohio, after which, he did custom grinding. Prior to the installation of the buhrs, an 18-inch corn-cracker had been installed, which later proved to be very unsatisfactory. Mr. Shryock operated the mill until 1850 or 1851, when John Stoner became the proprietor. After a number of years of operation by Stoner, George Kell assumed ownership and installed the "Roller-Process" for milling flour. After Kell, came Jacob Snyder and a partner, whose name we do not know. The last operator of the mill was William Freese, brother of Charles Freese, a prominent Fort Wayne business man. Mr. Freese closed the mill about 1910.

The mill building was very large, being 125 feet in length and 50 feet wide. It was of frame construction, two and a half stories in height. The mill sat astride the race, which was almost a mile in length. Water was impounded by a dam, located to the north in Dekalb County. The dam was about 100 feet in length and 6 feet high, and was constructed of timbers, rock and debris. A reservoir was constructed near the dam to insure a good supply of water.

Prior to the installation of the roller-process, the mill was equipped with two 4-foot stone buhrs, one being used for wheat, the other for corn grinding.

The building stood for many years after its abandonment and was eventually torn down. The channel of Big Cedar Creek was deepened by dredging in 1916, and in the following year the dam was destroyed by spring freshets.

The country surrounding Stoners Mill is quite scenic, so the mill site became a very popular picnic ground. Groups came from Fort Wayne and other nearby towns to spend Sundays and holidays amid the beauties of the Cedar Creek Hills. Shortly after the closing of the mill, some Fort Wayne citizens became interested in purchasing the site for recreation grounds, to be known as "Old Farm Garden," but the project failed to materialize.

Mr. John Fitch of Perry Township, and Mr. Willard W. Clark of Fort Wayne, have aided us in the preparation of this account.

VIII. THE JASON HATCH MILL

Jason Hatch cleared some land in the northeast portion of Perry Township and in 1834 built a sash sawmill on the right (south) bank of Big Cedar in the southeast quarter of Section 10.

Not much is known of this mill. Kingman's *History of Allen County* merely gives the date of its erection. The only person whom we have been able to find with some knowledge of its existence is Mr. Harvey Fitch, a resident of Huntertown, who is now 88 years of age, and who as a boy spent considerable time in the vicinity of the mill site.

The dam serving the mill was a frail structure built of brush, gravel and debris, and required constant repair, due to the ravages of ice and high waters. It was about 70 feet long and 3 to 4 feet high. The site of this dam has for years been a favorite swimming hole and the site is now referred to as Miller's Dam, so named for the last operator of the mill. The mill was shut down some time between 1855 and 1858 and, Mr. Fitch says that in later years, the mill was equipped with a corn-cracker. Some traces of the dam abutments are still visidle.

IX. GLOYD'S MILLS

(Known also as Vandolah's Mills and Cedar Creek Mills)

The land on which this mill was situated was purchased from the government in 1832 by James Vandolah, on his first visit to Perry Township, for the purpose of locating a desirable site for a sawmill. After purchase of the land, he returned to his home in Ohio. In 1835, he came back to the township and commenced work on the mill, completing it in 1839.

Successive owners of the mill throughout its 61 years of continuous operation, were George Gloyd; Jerome, son of George Gloyd; Edwin, brother of Jerome Gloyd; James Tucker, a former employee of Vandolah; and Jerome Bleekman, who purchased the mill in 1896. The later is the father of Arthur Bleekman, who has resided near the mill site for many years, and to whom we are indebted for much of the data concerning this mill. Mr. Eli Garman, a life long resident of the vicinity, has also given us much assistance.

The mill was located in the northeast quarter of Section 14, Perry Township, on the right (south) bank of Big Cedar Creek, where the Old Auburn Road crosses the stream by means of a long cork screw bend. The site is picturesque, being situated in one of the most scenic areas of Allen County, where Big Cedar Creek cuts a deep gorge through the broad Wabash moraine.

The sawmill was housed in a small one-story frame building and a short time after its erection, a two-story frame grist mill was built adjacent to it on the north. The latter building was about 60 feet by 40 feet in size.

The dam, about 200 feet in length and 7 feet high, was located a considerable distance upstream from the mill. The mill race, which was about a third of a mile long, supplied power to both mills. The sawmill, which was equipped with an upright saw, was abandoned during the ownership of Jerome Gloyd.

The grist mill was equipped with three four and a half foot French buhrs, one of which now reposes on the lawn of the Arthur Bleekman home nearby. One buhr was used for processing flour, another was used for grinding cornmeal, and the third was used for grinding chop feed. The mill was powered by one large over-shot wheel and an immense turbine wheel which now lies buried in the silt and sand on the mill site.

The mill was discontinued in 1900 and considerable damage was inflicted on the buildings by floods and ice before being dismantled in 1922.

X. VAN ZILE'S MILL

A sash sawmill was erected about 1858 by John Van Zile on the right (south) bank of Big Cedar Creek, a short distance east of the present State Road 427. This is in the northwest quarter of Section 19, Cedar Creek Township. Shortly after the mill's erection Mr. Van Zile added some equipment for wool carding, but later sold this portion of the business to Patrick Murphy of Hamilton (Leo).

Ten years after the erection of the sawmill, Van Zile hired Lant Griffin, a millwright, to build a grist mill, which was completed in 1869. It was a two story frame building 60x50 feet in size. Samuel Grush was employed as a miller for many years and George Surfus at one time rented and operated the mill. Shortly after 1890, Mr. Van Zile sold the mill to a man named Fry. For several years prior to this transaction Mr. Van Zile was engaged in the manufacture of washing machines at the mill, but this venture proved to be a financial failure. Mr. Fry closed the mill about 1896 or 1897 and, in the year 1900, the dam was destroyed by flood waters. The grist mill building was moved in 1905 to the farm of Fred Devenger, about two miles to the southeast, and is now being used as a stock barn. Just when the sawmill building collapsed is not known.

The two mills were served by separate races, the water being diverted by a timbered dam about 125 feet long and 6 feet high. The grist mill was equipped with three 5½ foot French buhrs. One was used for chop feed, one for wheat flour and the third was used for grinding corn. The buhrs were originally powered with an overshot wheel, but at a later date, this was replaced by two turbine wheels.

Some traces of the mill race can still be seen and when the water in the creek is low and clear, a few timbers of the dam are visible in the bed of the stream.

Mr. Willard Moss of Perry Township and Mr. Lewis McCartney of Cedar Creek Township, life-long residents in the neighborhood of the mill, have supplied us with the above information.

XI. THE CEDARVILLE MILL

Of the many mills deriving their power from Big Cedar Creek, this one was situated nearest to the stream's confluence with the St. Joseph River. It was located at the village of Cedarville, on the left (north) bank of the creek, in the northeast quarter of Section 28, Cedar Creek Township.

The first of the two mills to stand upon this site was the Carter and Haines flouring and saw mill. Just when this mill was erected is not known, but according to the Breckenridge survey of 1860, the capital investment amounted to $6,000. During that year, 11,000 bushels of grain were processed and 300 logs were sawed. The finished products were valued at $11,348. This mill was destroyed by fire about 1861 or 1862.

The second mill was erected by Jerry Miller in 1863. Some time afterward he sold the business to a man by the name of Timbrook, whose son James later operated the mill. James Timbrook and Josiah Roller then formed a partnership, under the firm name of Timbrook and Roller. About 1880, Timbrook withdrew from the business and Eugene Cook and Mr. Roller entered into partnership doing business as Cook and Roller. They closed the business about 1911 or 1912.

Mr. Orange Cook of Fort Wayne, son of Eugene Cook, assisted his father at the mill for many years. As a school boy he would return home from classes, change clothes, go to the mill and carry on operations until 10:00 or 11:00 P. M. by the aid of kerosene lantern light. One night, when working alone at the mill, a dynamite cap that had fallen into the grain, caused a violent blast when it came in contact with the buhrs, doing considerable damage to the equipment and creating a lot of excitement at the village—a rather harrowing experience for any lad. We are obligated to this school-boy miller for information concerning this mill.

The mill building was a large frame structure, two and one-half stories in height, 80 feet long and 70 feet wide. The grist mill was equipped with three 5½-foot French buhrs, one used for chopping feed and two for processing flour.

The dam was 140 feet in length and 6½ feet high, of heavy timber construction, with a stone foundation, and firmly anchored at the abutments by immense stone-filled cribs. The dam was destroyed by flood waters and ice in 1899, and was immediately rebuilt. The head race was 40 feet wide at the inlet, gradually reduced to 30 feet at the mill. The mill sat astride the forebay which was 24 feet wide. The mill equipment was powered by four 6-foot wheels and one 8-foot wheel, all of the tub type. Lumber was cut with a circular saw.

The old Cedarville Mill was a landmark for many years, and was torn down in 1912, after having outlived its usefulness, A new low log dam was erected in 1936 on the site of the former dam, which had gradually deteriorated after the abandonment of the mill.

XII. ZENTNER'S MILL

George Zentner erected a sawmill in 1885 on Stevichs Run (now known as Carnnan Creek, a small stream flowing into the St. Joseph River near Hamilton (Leo). The mill was located two miles north of Hamilton in the southeast quarter of Section 3, Cedar Creek Township, about a quarter of a mile east of the Lochner Road.

When a young woman, Mrs. William Foltz of Spencerville, Indiana, assisted her father, George Zentner, with many tasks about the mill and we are indebted to her for the information here given.

The mill was situated on the left (north) bank of the stream and was

equipped with an upright saw. Later a circular saw was installed. The mill stood adjacent to the dam, which was about 40 feet long and 6 feet in height, and spanned a gully. The building was a one-story frame structure, which was only partially sided. There was not sufficient water for full-time operation, and about 1897, the lack of water forced Mr. Zentner to abandon the mill, after which he erected a steam mill, which he operated for a few years. He moved to Texas about 1913, where he died.

XIII. HURSCHTOWN MILLS

(Known also as the Urbana Mills)

The J. C. Hursch and Co. Flouring and Sawmill was located in the center of Section 12, Cedar Creek Township on the right (north) bank of the St. Joseph River.

Some conflict regarding the date of erection of this mill has persisted. After careful check, we are reasonably certain that it was built prior to 1858. The Breckenridge Survey of 1860 places the capital investment of this mill at $7,000, and shows that 17,500 bushels of grain were processed and 400 logs were cut, the value of the mill's products for that year amounting to $19,716.

There were two mill buildings, one housing the grist equipment, and the other a sawmill. They were erected by John C. Hursch. Some time later, his son, Christ, assumed operations. Martin L. Moudy purchased the mill in 1879 and, after a few years, John Stofer entered into partnership with Mr. Moudy. These men continued as owners until the mills were closed.

The grist mill was a three-story frame structure, 60 feet by 40 feet in size. The sawmill was a one-story building of about the same dimensions as the grist mill.

The dam was of heavy timber construction, 150 feet in length and 6½ feet high, supplying water to a short mill race that passed first under the sawmill, then under the grist mill. The sawmill was equipped with a circular saw, powered by a 6-foot tub type wheel. The grist mill's equipment consisted of three 5½-foot French buhrs. Two of these were dressed for flour and one for corn, and were powered by three 4-foot cast tub wheels.

Mr. Clem Treece of Fort Wayne worked for many years at the Hurschtown sawmill. Mrs. Treece is the daughter of Martin L. Moudy, last owner of the mill and later a Commissioner of Allen County. From them we have obtained the information here given.

The sawmill quit business in 1900 and was dismantled. The grist mill closed six years later, after which the building was removed to the farm of Henry Walters on the Campbell road in Section 4 of Springfield Township, where it is now doing service as a stock barn.

The Hurschtown dam was later destroyed by ice and flood waters.

XIV. THE MANNING MILLS

(Known also as the Leo Mills, and Maxfield Mills)

William Maxfield of Hamilton (Leo) has in his possession a copy of an agreement between the State of Indiana and John Manning, Sr., dated January 29, 1839, whereby the latter was authorized to erect a mill dam in the St. Joseph River at Leo in Cedar Creek Township in the southeast quarter of Section 15.

Mr. Manning commenced work on the dam and a sash sawmill in 1839, completing them the following year. In 1839, E. L. Knight opened a store in the half-completed mill building. Shortly after the completion of the sawmill, Mr. Manning erected a woolen mill, which was a three-story frame building 36 feet by 60 feet in size. He then dismantled the sawmill, and erected on the site a four-story grist mill, which was 40 feet wide and 60 feet long. Patrick Murphy, a

weaver, acquired an interest in the woolen mill from Mr. Manning. Some time afterward, Mr. Manning sold the grist mill and his interest in the woolen mill to Winch and Achley, who in turn, disposed of their interests to Orange Maxfield, the father of William Maxfield. The partnership of Maxfield and Murphy did not last long. The dissolution gave Mr. Murphy the woolen mill equipment, which he moved to Auburn, Indiana, where he continued in the business until his death, while Mr. Maxfield assumed complete ownership of the building formerly occupied by the woolen mill, which in 1880 collapsed during a high wind. The partnership of Maxfield & Dever operated the grist mill for many years.

The dam was a timbered structure, about 150 feet in length and 7 feet high, which diverted water into a forebay 150 feet long, 22 feet wide and 7 feet in depth. The woolen mill was the first in line to receive power and sat opposite the north dam abutment. It was equipped originally with a 6-foot tub wheel, which was later replaced by a 5-foot wheel of the same type. The grist mill was situated about 100 feet to the west, and was served by the same water that operated the woolen mill. The grist mill's equipment consisted of three 5½-foot French buhrs, which were powered by three tub wheels.

Business at the grist mill was suspended in 1908, and the building fell into a bad state of repair and finally collapsed. The dam, which was afterward destroyed by ice and flood waters, was rebuilt in 1936, with the assistance of the government's low log dam construction program.

XV. THE SWIFT AND GOSHORN MILL

In June, 1834, a large dam was erected in the St. Joseph River about six miles north of Fort Wayne, to provide a water supply for the Wabash and Erie Canal. This water was conveyed to the main canal at Fort Wayne by means of a feeder, which was commonly known as the Feeder Canal. The dam has always been referred to as the Feeder Dam.

This dam was about 225 feet in length and almost 17 feet high and raised the level of water in the river for a distance of about six or seven miles upstream. It was situated in the southwest quarter of Section 8, St. Joseph Township, a short distance below Robinson Park, a famous resort established many years later.

Jacob Swift and Jacob Goshorn were both civil engineers who had assisted in the construction of the Grand Reservoir at Celina, Ohio. Shortly after the completion of the Feeder Dam, these men erected a sawmill on the right (west) abutment of the dam. The building was a long one-story affair, which spanned the mill race and was powered by a large over-shot wheel. The mill's equipment consisted of an upright saw and, in after years, a set of buhrs was added, for processing grain, which proved to be an unsuccessful venture, largely because of the inaccessibility of the mill.

Alpheus Swift afterward operated the mill and was followed by Fred Goshorn, who closed the mill about 1858 or 1859, as other mills in this area were more convenient. The club-house of the Fort Wayne Beagle Club now occupies this site.

Mr. Kenneth Swift, grandson of Jacob, and son of Alpheus Swift, has furnished us with the above information.

XVI. THE KLINGER AND COMPARET MILL

Jessie Klinger came from Pennsylvania in 1829 and settled on the Richardville Reservation on the St. Joseph River in St. Joseph Township.

Mr. Klinger and a man named Comparet erected the first sawmill in St. Joseph Township on Bechetts Run (now Bobay Creek), in 1835. The mill was located in Section 7 about a quarter mile east of the present State Road 1 bridge over Bobay Creek.

There is no further information available about this mill. It is thought that

its existence was short. Mr. Klinger died in 1835 and Mr. Comparet continued the mill's operation.

XVII. THE JOHNS MILL

This mill was located on the right (west) bank of the St. Joseph River, a few rods south of the St. Joseph Center Road Bridge, commonly known as the Paper Mill Bridge. It was situated in the south portion of the former Richardville Indian Reservation, in the southeast quarter of Section 18, St. Joseph Township.

We have been unable to find any residents of the vicinity with knowledge of this mill. However, Mr. H. A. S. Levering, of Fort Wayne, who has done considerable research in land ownership in the area north of Fort Wayne, has given us some very interesting information regarding acquisition of land for the mill's use.

Early in the year 1834, Thomas Castor sold to John Spencer and Elisha B. Harris, a seven-acre strip of land for mill purposes, located between the St. Joseph River and Feeder Canal in the section and township above mentioned. On March 7, 1834, Harris assigned his interests to Spencer. By this transaction, Harris was permitted to remove the timber on the land for the erection of a saw mill and dam, and to construct a bridge over the Feeder Canal. Apparently he made no improvements of any kind on the property. On January 6, 1835, John Spencer and his wife, Ruth, conveyed the land to Henry Johns, the father-in-law of Henry Rudisill. Mr. Johns owned 400 or 500 acres in the vicinity from which timber for the mill was obtained. The mill was afterwards operated by William Augustine and was discontinued shortly after 1860.

Mr. Louis Rossellot, age 77, who has been a life-long resident of the vicinity, informs us that there are two stone buhrs submerged in the river at the site of the dam and that these buhrs were a part of the Johns mill equipment. These buhrs were visible before the erection of the municipal water intake and dam one and a half miles downstream, which raised the water level of the St. Joseph River at this point.

A few years later, the Fort Wayne Paper Mills were erected on the site of the Johns Mill.

XVIII. FORT WAYNE PAPER MILLS

The first paper mill to be put into operation in Allen County was erected on the site of the Johns Mill in 1866, by N. B. Freeman, Samuel Bard, and a Mr. Dobolinski. The mills were known as the Fort Wayne Paper Mills and the partnership was known as Dobolinski, Freeman & Bard. However, in 1867, Mr. Dobolinski withdrew from the business and shortly thereafter, A. G. Barnett entered the partnership. The Fort Wayne City Directory of 1868-69 lists the firm name as Freeman, Bard & Barnett, with depot, offices, and salesroom at 51 Columbia Street.

Mr. Louis Rossellot, whom we have previously mentioned, was employed as an engineer at the Fort Wayne Paper Mills for 20 years (1870-1890), and from him we have been able to obtain much information pertaining to the mill's equipment.

The mill was so equipped that power could be obtained from steam boilers or by water from the St. Joseph River. The buildings, two stories in height, were of "L" shaped frame construction, one section being about 40x60 feet in size, the other portion was 25x80 feet. The dam, which served the mill, was about 225 feet long and 8 feet high, and was built on the site of the dam used by the former Johns Mill. The mill race was short, probably about 250 feet long and 14 or 15 feet wide and was lined with rock. Power was derived from an 8-foot turbine wheel.

The equipment consisted of two large paper making machines, which re-

quired two tons of straw at each charge and produced a net of 1800 to 2000 pounds of "news print" paper per day, which was the principal product of the mill.

The plant also manufactured a paper with rag content for book printing and, in later years, produced a fine grade of wrapping paper.

Charles J. Connelley, who for a time served as foreman of the mill, was accidentally drowned April 1, 1870, when his boat went over the dam. The body was not found until some time after the accident.

The mills were almost totally destroyed by fire April 30, 1871, resulting in a loss of $25,000, but were again placed in operation on May 9 of the following year. Shortly after the fire, the mills were purchased at sheriff's sale by William Fleming, at that time Treasurer of the State of Indiana, and father of Stephen Fleming, prominent present day Fort Wayne business man. The mills were badly damaged by the flood of February, 1887 but Mr. Fleming continued operations until 1890, when the mill was closed. In later years, the mill was referred to as the Fleming Paper Mills.

XIX. THE RUDISILL MILL

(Known also as the Johns Mill and St. Joe Mill)

In the autumn of 1830, Henry Rudisill and Henry Johns erected a flouring mill on the right, or west, bank of the St. Joseph River in the southwest quarter of Section 36, Washington Township. At the time of the mill's erection, it was located about three-quarters of a mile north of the village of Fort Wayne on what is now Spy Run Avenue, then known as the east branch of the Lima Road. The site of the mill is directly across the street from the present Indiana Service Corporation's shops.

Henry Rudisill was born in 1801 at Lancaster, Pennsylvania and came to Fort Wayne as a representative of Barr & McCorkle, of Baltimore, Maryland, who prepared the original plat of the City of Fort Wayne.

When the mill was built, many residents of the township aided in its construction, by freely donating their labor. The dam, which was located near the present State Street Bridge, was built almost entirely by such volunteer help under the supervision of David Bush. The dam was constructed of huge squared timbers and filled in with rock, gravel and other debris and was situated about 300 feet above the mill building.

This mill began operations with but one set of buhrs, which was increased in later years to four sets. The mill was generally known as the "Johns Mill," until the death of Mr. Johns, when the sole ownership passed to Mr. Rudisill. Mr. Rudisill died February 6, 1858, and ownership of the mill passed to his son, H. J. Rudisill, Jr., who continued its operation until 1866, when he moved to California, leaving the operation of the mill in the hands of John E. Hill, Jr., who later formed the John E. Hill, Jr., Co.

From the time of its erection until about 1880 the mill was equipped with an over-shot wheel, after which Leffel and Little Giant wheels were installed. The mill produced about sixty-five barrels of flour per day and employed about seven men. During the flood of February, 1876, the dam was severely damaged but was soon repaired and the mill again placed in operation.

John H. Bass and Oscar Simons purchased the mill property November 4, 1879, and a few years later the Water Works Committee of the City of Fort Wayne recommended that the City of Fort Wayne condemn the property for its water rights but were restrained from doing so by the owners on September 11, 1884. The question of a new city water supply was a paramount issue at the time.

In the fall of 1887, Bass & Simons completed the rebuilding of the dam, placed heavy walls in the mill race and made other repairs to the property. On November 25, of the same year, the property was purchased by the Jenny Electric

Light and Power Co., along with the entire canal feeder for the sum of $67,000.

The mill was shortly afterwards abandoned but the building was not demolished until early in the present century. One of the stone buhrs of this mill now reposes on the premises of the Allen County-Fort Wayne Historical Society Museum.

XX. THE LIPES MILL

Nickerson Creek is a small stream that joins the St. Marys River about one mile above Williamsport (Poe) in Marion Township. About three-quarters of a mile above the mouth of this stream, David and Andrew Lipes erected a sawmill about 1851. The mill was situated in the southeast quarter of Section 33, about 800 feet west of the Winchester Road, near the Old Bethel Church and cemetery.

The mill building was located on the left (west) bank of the stream, and was a one-story open building, faced only on the north side, and was 30x18 feet in size. It was so situated that logs could be skidded down an adjacent hill into the mill. In order to obtain sufficient power, the mill was erected about 700 feet below the dam, which was constructed of timbers, stone and gravel, and was about 400 feet in length and 7 feet in height. A 6-foot wooden overshot wheel furnished power for an upright saw.

Operations were discontinued about 1861, and shortly thereafter, the building was dismantled. Outlines of the mill race and some timbers of the dam are still visible on the old mill site.

David Lipes came from Virginia to Marion Township in 1850. He remained there until January 12, 1882, at which time he sold his farm to John Essig and moved to the northwest part of the county. His farm was situated in Eel River and Lake townships. He served as County Commissioner from 1864 to 1869.

We are indebted to Mr. Preston Snyder, aged 82, and a lifelong resident of Marion Township, for information on this and other mills in the locality.

XXI. MULDOON'S MILL

The first of four mills in the vicinity of Williamsport (Poe) was erected by John Depler in 1840, on the right (east) bank of the St. Mary's River, about 400 feet north of the present Poe Bridge. This is in the exact center of Section 29, Marion Township.

This was originally a sawmill and, a short time after its erection, it was purchased by Charles Muldoon, who added some buhrs for grinding grain.

Charles Muldoon was the son of Patrick Muldoon, an early settler on the site of Williamsport, who came to America from Ireland in 1845, his death occurring in 1858.

The mill was situated at the east abutment of the dam, which was about 125 feet in length and 8 feet high and of timber construction. A very short race furnished power for an over-shot wheel, which in turn operated an upright saw.

Charles Muldoon operated the mill until its destruction by fire in 1868 or 1869. Several years later, Maurice Cody erected a new mill on the opposite end of the dam.

XXII. THE CODY MILL

(Known also as the Valley Mills)

Two years after the destruction of the Muldoon Mill, Maurice Cody erected a grist mill on the left (west) bank of the St. Marys River at Williamsport (Poe).

Maurice Cody married Bridget Muldoon, daughter of Charles, and resided in Fort Wayne, where he held the offices of City Marshall and Street Commissioner. His residence was located at the corner of Barr and Superior Streets.

Construction of the mill was aided by many of the residents in the vicinity. It was a very tall building, containing five floors and rising more than 100 feet above the surface of the water at the dam.

The mill was equipped with four French buhrs, one dressed for corn and three for wheat, each powered with a 6-foot wooden tub-type wheel. The dam was the one built for use of the Muldoon Mill.

A. M. Hildebrand was employed by Mr. Cody to operate the mill, which was one of the busiest of the mills of this county, serving farmers from points as distant as Ohio and employing three or four men, oftentimes working day and night.

Early in the 80's, farmers upstream from the mill, complained of damage to their crops, caused by backwater from the mill dam. These farmers took matters into their own hands, raised a fund of $400 for the purpose of hiring a man to dynamite the structure. The deed was perpetrated May 11, 1883, causing $800 damage. Mr. Cody repaired the dam and, on August 6, Deputy Sheriff Thomas Doyle arrested five Adams County farmers for conspiring to destroy the dam.

In the meantime, these farmers, not being satisfied with the job done by their hireling, persuaded him to make a second attempt, and on August 22nd, a terrific explosion not only destroyed the dam but also inflicted damage to the mill building, causing the cessation of business.

On April 9, 1890, Mr. Cody sold the rights to the use of the dam to John Dirkson, William Zwick, and John Morton; by this transaction, the upriver farmers were assured that no further damage would be caused by the possible rebuilding of the dam.

Mr. Cody passed away shortly afterward and, on January 29, 1895, James B. Garth purchased the property from Mr. Cody's widow. The mill building gradually deteriorated and finally in March, 1896, the structure crashed into the river. Some traces of the mill race and dam are visible today.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Preston Snyder of Marion Township and Mr. Harley Somers of Fort Wayne for their assistance in gathering the above information.

XXIII. THE ESSIG MILL

Immediately to the north of Williamsport (Poe), Lipes or Mosquito Creek enters the St. Marys River. About 600 feet above the mouth of this stream is the site of the Essig Mill. This is in the southwest quarter of Section 29, Marion Township, east of the Winchester Road.

This sawmill was erected in 1850 by William Essig, who founded the village of Williamsport (Poe), entering the original plat on October 14, 1848. The mill building was a roofed-over platform, about 30 feet by 20 feet in size, and was boarded up on the north side. It was located on the right (south) bank of the stream at the dam, which was about 25 feet long and 5 feet in height, constructed entirely of walnut timbers. The bridge, which formerly stood near the mill, was also of walnut construction.

The mill was powered by a 6-foot wooden over-shot wheel and equipped with an upright saw. The mill race was very short.

Sawing was discontinued in the autumn of 1860 and shortly afterward the mill was torn down. The advent of the steam mill and the circular saw forced the mill out of business. Some of the buildings, still standing on the Preston Snyder farm south of Williamsport, were built with timbers taken from this mill.

Mr. Preston Snyder and Mr. John N. King, both of Marion Township, have given us information regarding this mill.

XXIV. STELLHORN SAWMILL

Fred Stellhorn, a lime-burner and canal boat operator, purchased in 1860 a tract of land in the south half of Section 26, Wayne Township and immediately took up residence on the property.

A log house and a small water-powered sawmill were on the property when

acquired by Mr. Stellhorn. When the mill was erected is not known, but it was built by a man named Browning.

The mill was situated on the right (east) bank of the St. Marys River, about 1500 feet north of the Stellhorn Bridge, opposite the present Fairview Golf Course, on Fairfield Avenue extended, a short distance south of the City limits of Fort Wayne.

Fred Stellhorn was unable to operate the mill because of ill health brought on as a result of his occupation as a lime-burner, so his eldest son, J. Henry Stellhorn, took charge and continued its operation until 1873, when the mill was forced to discontinue, because of the shortage of water during the summer months. Mr. Stellhorn purchased a steam mill in Fort Wayne and moved it to his farm, locating it on the river bank about 1500 feet south of the old water-powered mill.

The water-powered mill was a one-story frame building located on the east abutment of the dam, and was equipped with a 6-foot upright saw, powered by an overshot wheel. The dam was about 150 feet in length and 6 feet high, and was constructed of heavy spiked timbers and held securely by massive stone work at either end. The mill race was about 200 feet long.

Mr. Charles Stellhorn, brother of J. Henry Stellhorn, was born in 1862 on the Stellhorn farm and lived near there his entire lifetime. At one time he operated the steam mill. We are indebted to him for this information.

Much of the timber cut at the water-powered mill was walnut, as it was very plentiful on the land in the immediate vicinity. J. Henry Stellhorn at one time purchased the timber on 300 acres of land across the river, and so much of it was walnut that it was cut into 2 by 4's and disposed of largely in Fort Wayne.

Nothing remains on the old mill site today. However, some traces of the dam are still visible, and the framework of the old mill building was moved off the site about 1880, to another part of the farm and converted into a granary, which still stands to the east of what is now Calhoun Street extended. The old Stellhorn home, which still stands, was constructed of lumber fabricated at the old mill and, in recent years, it was discovered that the 2 x 4's and siding used in this house are of walnut. A number of years ago, the home was moved from its original site to its present location.

XXV. THE ESMOND MILL

(Known also as the Barnett and Hanna Mill, Fairfield Mill, Beaver Mill and Glenwood Mill)

The first water-powered mill erected in Allen County was completed in August, 1827, by James Barnett and Samuel Hanna. The mill stood on the left bank of the St. Marys River, a short distance south of the present Oakdale Bridge (State Roads 1 and 3) in what is now Foster Park. It was located in the southeast quarter of Section 15, Wayne Township and at the time of its erection was several miles from the village of Fort Wayne.

A few years later, the mill was sold to Louis H. Davis, who later sold the business to Asa Fairfield and Samuel C. Freeman. The former had the distinction of operating the first boat through Fort Wayne on the Wabash and Erie Canal. The business operated under the name of Fairfield and Freeman until the partnership was dissolved and the business purchased by A. C. Beaver, who named the mill "Glenwood."

George Esmond purchased the Glenwood Mill, November 1, 1876, for the sum of $24,000 and operated it until it was completely destroyed by fire, February 27, 1878. On May 31 of the same year, work was begun on Mr. Esmond's new brick mill and it was completed October 1, at a cost of $20,000. It was a three-story building 44x64 feet in size, and equipped with all new machinery. Its power was developed by one 60-inch and two 56-inch turbine wheels capable of produc-

ing from 60 to 80 horsepower. The grinding equipment consisted of one 4-foot and four 3½-foot stone buhrs. The mills employed five men and could produce 80 barrels of flour daily. The mill's storage capacity was 10,000 bushels of grain.

Less than two years after construction of the new mill, on April 26, 1880, the dam was partially destroyed by high water, after which Mr. Esmond converted the mill to steam power. The Esmond Milling Co. was incorporated June 4, 1886, with capital stock of $60,000. On October 4, 1887, Mr. Esmond sold the business to I. S. Tevis of Kentucky and T. S. Proctor of Tennessee. The new proprietors operated the business for a little more than seven months when, on May 15, 1888, the mills were again completely destroyed by fire, with a loss of $40,000, and, after sixty-one years of continuous operation, were never rebuilt. Mr. Charles N. King of Williamsport has in his possession a ledger containing accounts of this mill from 1842 to 1844, during the ownership of Asa Fairfield.

XXVI. WINES MILL

(Known also as the Coles Mill, Woodlawn Mill, Volland Mill)

The exact date of the erection of the David Coles sawmill on the Maumee River is unknown. However, we find that Mr. Coles advertised for a buyer for the mill in the Fort Wayne *Weekly Sentinel's* issue of June 14, 1834. Buyers were apparently scarce, for it was autumn of 1838 before Marshall Wines purchased the property. Shortly after the transaction, Mr. Wines erected a flour mill immediately to the east of the saw mill.

The mill was located between the river and the north bank of the Wabash and Erie Canal at Hanover Street, about three blocks due north of the present Concordia College. The college property and other adjoining land was formerly the estate of Marshall Wines and at the time was known as "Woodlawn." The mill was referred to by the same name. Mr. Wines died in 1842 and, in 1848, "Woodlawn" was purchased by the St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Shortly before his death, Mr. Wines sold the mills to Samuel Hanna and Oehmig Bird, the firm doing business as Hanna & Bird. Changes in the ownership were frequent in the following years. Eli Bostick and Reuben Fronefield purchased the mill in September, 1858, from Hanna & Bird. Bostick & Fronefield did some extensive repairing to the mill, which was completed February 16, 1859. In September of the same year, Mr. Bostick sold his interest to Henry Volland, the firm being designated as Fronefield & Volland. One year later (September, 1860), Mr. Fronefield withdraw from the business and Barney Trentman became Mr. Volland's partner, these men doing business as Trentman & Volland. Mr. Trentman sold his interest to Christian Orff in 1861. Orff & Volland then became the firm's title. Two years later (1863), the mill was taken over by David Comparet and Washington Haskell, operating as Comparet & Haskell. These men did some repairing and erected a new dam at a cost of $5,000, which was located at the site of the present municipal "Hosey" Dam, a short distance west of the Anthony Boulevard Bridge. Several years later, Esther A. Orff purchased the property and was the sole owner, when, on March 24, 1871, the mill was totally destroyed by fire and was never rebuilt.

The mill was a three and a half story building with a capital investment of $6,000, and storage capacity for 20,000 bushels of grain. The equipment consisted of one 5-foot and two 4-foot stone buhrs, powered by three reacting wheels. In its later years, the mill employed about four men, and produced approximately fifty barrels of flour daily.

XXVII. SHORDON'S MILL

Many parcels of Allen County land were deeded to the Wabash and Erie Canal Company by the United States, prior to the canal's construction. One of these

parcels lay in the southeast portion of St. Joseph Township. This land was quite swampy, but is now a very productive region.

Stephen Shordon purchased a tract of this land from the canal company for about $2.50 per acre, and in 1858 and 1859, erected a sawmill on the left (north) bank of Bullerman Creek, a small tributary of the Maumee River that flowed through Mr. Shordon's land. The mill was situated in the southeast quarter of Section 35.

The mill had difficulty operating because of the frequent shortages of water, especially after much of the region had been drained. The building was a small shed-like structure and was located on the north dam abutment. The dam was the earth-fill type, about 300 feet in length and 6 feet high. The very short mill race conveyed water to an overshot wheel, which in turn powered an upright saw. After nine or ten years of interrupted operation, the mill closed down in 1868, because improved mills were erected in this part of the county and there was also difficulty with the water supply. At the time of the mill's destruction by fire in 1869, it was being used as a granary. A considerable portion of the dam, which was subsequently damaged by flood waters, is visible today.

We are indebted to Mr. Theodore Goeglein of St. Joseph Township, present County Commissioner; Mr. Max Vonderau, also of St. Joseph Township; and Mr. John Kern, of Adams Township, for assistance in preparing this information.

XXVIII. BOWERS' MILL

This mill was located on a small stream, now known as Koester Ditch, which drains into the Maumee River. It was on land now owned by Edward Goeglein in the southwest quarter of Section 30, Milan Township.

Very little is known concerning this mill and the information we have been able to obtain, came from Mrs. Edward Goeglein, daughter of Herman Bischoff, who came from Germany and on July 1, 1861, purchased the present Edward Goeglein farm from Joseph and Margaret Bowers.

When Joseph Bowers erected this mill is unknown. It was a saw mill equipped with an upright saw. The building was very small and was situated on the left (east) bank of the stream, a short distance north of the Parent Road bridge. The dam was about 35 feet long and 4 feet in height and the race was very short.

Mr. Bischoff never operated the mill, probably because of the lack of sufficient water and he dismantled the mill shortly after he purchased it. One of the first frame houses erected in the vicinity was built of lumber fabricated at the Bowers Mill. The old house still stands on the Goeglein property.

XXIX. TOWNSEND'S MILL

This is another of the mills about which little is known. History merely relates the fact that it was erected by Joseph Townsend in 1828 on Six-Mile Creek in Adams Township.

Six-Mile Creek is now known as Trier Ditch and the mill stood in the southwest quarter of Section 11. The land was later owned by a man named Miller and in 1839 was purchased by Levi Hartzell, grandfater of Lee. J. Hartzell, prominent Fort Wayne attorney. From all available information, this was probably the second water-powered mill erected in Allen County. It was a primitive sawmill, which was also equipped with a corn-cracker.

Neither Mr. Hartzell nor Mr. Sherman Townsend of Tillman, grandson of Joseph Townsend, could give us any further information regarding this mill.

XXX. THE ASHTON MILL

John Ashton and his son, George, came to Maumee Township in 1836 and immediately erected a dam across the Maumee River, intending to erect a saw mill and later a grist mill.

The mill site was located about one-quarter mile west of the Bull Rapids Road, on the right (south) bank of the river, in the northeast quarter of Section 18.

The sawmill was served with a very short race and was powered by a turbine wheel. Its dam was 300 feet in length and 6 feet in height. The mill's operation, however, was frequently hampered by ice and flood waters.

The intended grist mill was never built however, some work was done on it, but it was never finished. A feed-grinder was later installed in the sawmill building.

In 1865, a heavy flood washed out both the dam and the mill. The remains were dismantled shortly thereafter. So far as we can determine, the Ashtons were the only operators of the mill.

Mr. August Brenneke, President of the Woodburn State Bank, and now in his eighty-fifth year, has kindly furnished us with much of this information.

XXXI. THE PRICE SAWMILL

Most Price came to Springfield Township in 1859, and in the same year erected a sash sawmill on Grass Creek, later known as the Wertz Ditch. The mill was situated about two miles southeast of Harlan, a short distance north of the Notestine Road, in the southwest quarter of Section 35, Springfield Township.

The mill building was a two-story affair. The first floor was constructed of hewn logs, while the second story was faced with dressed lumber. The mill changed ownership on several occasions, the last operator being a man named Miller, who dismantled the structure about 1880, after 21 years of service. The shortage of water was thought to be the cause of discontinuance. Investigation has failed to bring forth any further data regarding this mill.

XXXII. ORFF'S MILL

(Known also as the Edsall Mill, Empire Mill, and The Old Stone Mill)

All of the water-powered mills located on the Wabash and Erie Canal in Fort Wayne, were erected in the period from 1841 to 1845. Orff's Mill was located on the right bank of the St. Marys River immediately north of the present West Main Street Bridge and derived its power from the canal.

When the Wabash and Erie Canal was constructed through Fort Wayne, a considerable amount of land in the western part of the town was owned by William Rockhill, who deeded to the canal company a right-of-way through his land for the canal. He, in turn, received from the company a lease for water rights.

In the years 1842 and 1843, Mr. Rockhill and his partner, Samuel Edsall, erected two saw mills. In July, 1843, Mr. Rockhill withdrew from the partnership and Mr. Edsall started construction on a large grist mill, which was completed two years later. A few rods north of the mill, the waters of the canal were conveyed over the St. Marys River by means of a long covered acqueduct, which for several reasons became the rendezvous for hundreds of young swimmers in the western part of town. The memory of this acqueduct has been perpetuated by the formation in 1912 of the "Old Acqueduct Club," whose membership is composed of those men who, as boys, swam and "chawed beef" within the acqueduct's protective walls. In 1927, a memorial was erected to these young swimmers in nearby Orff Park. Mr. Calvin K. Reimen, of Fort Wayne, now heads this group, whose ranks are rapidly thinning.

Changes of ownership of many of these early mills was frequent and this mill was no exception. Shortly after the erection of the grist mill, Mr. Edsall admitted Millford Smith as a partner, the firm being designated as Smith and Edsall. In 1856, the property was offered for sale and was purchased by a group under the name of Orff, Armstrong & Lacy. Mr. Lacy died shortly after the formation of this partnership. The firm then operated under the title of Orff & Arm-

strong. John Orff acquired Mr. Armstrong's interests in 1858 and continued as the sole owner of the business. A number of years later, the business passed to John Orff's sons, John, Jr., C. E., and Montgomery Orff. The mill was badly damaged by fire in 1888 and on September 11, of the same year, the property was purchased at sheriff's sale by John Orff.

In 1872 Mr. Orff equipped the mill for steam operation, which permitted the use of water or steam for power, until the abandonment of the canal cut off the water supply. The mill's water lease expired in 188. John Orff, Sr., died in 1896, and the mill quit business in 1897. The Orff homestead is now occupied by the Jim Eby Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and is located at the end of West Main Street adjacent to Lindenwood Cemetery.

The Kingman Brothers' *History of Allen County, Indiana,* published in 1880, gives the following account of the mill's equipment at that time: "Until recently, the power has been derived from an overshot wheel. In 1862-63, Mr. Orff built a grain warehouse, immediately east and adjoining the mill, with six bins, with a capacity of 5000 bushels per bin. In 1872, Mr. Orff added a steam engine and such additional machinery as the change required. He did not, however, dispense with the water wheel. He now uses steam or water, as the circumstances may require. In 1876, he built a very commodious office adjoining the grain warehouse. Under the old process, this mill turned out 175 barrels per 24 hours. Under the new, minimum capacity is 175 per 24 hours. The following is an exhibit of the size, capacity and business of this mill: Mill (stone) four and one half stories, 50 feet by 60 feet; Grain Warehouse, first story stone, two stories plank, 40 feet by 45 feet; Grain Warehouse storage capacity 30,000 bushels; number of run of stone, five size of stone, one three foot, four, four and one-half; Number of hands employed, twelve; amount of flour manufactured in 24 hours, 175 barrels; horse power of engine, 100; horse power of wheels, 110; capital invested, $40,000."

XXXIII. THE CITY MILLS

(C. Tresselt and Sons)

Construction of this mill began in 1842 and was completed and put into operation in 1843 by Allen Hamilton and Jessie L. Williams.

It was situated on Lot No. 25, of the original plat of the City of Fort Wayne. The mill site is in the business section of the city, being only one and a half blocks north of the Allen County Courthouse, on the west side of Clinton Street between Superior Street and the Nickel Plate Railroad, former right-of-way of the Wabash and Erie Canal, from which the mill obtained its power.

Some time after the partnership was formed, Mr. Hamilton retired, and Pliny Hoagland entered the business as Mr. Williams' partner, operating as Hoagland and Williams. Other changes in the firm name were Hoagland, Comstock & Co., and Pliny Hoagland & Co. In 1860, Christian Tresselt, a canal boat captain, became a silent partner in the business, and in 1870, the firm changed to Hoagland, Tresselt & Co. In 1872, Mr. Williams withdrew. Later, Mr. Tresselt and his sons, Oscar, Herman and Fred, became sole owners of the business and the Tresselt family continued with the business until the mill was closed in 1920. The mill was powered by water for 40 years, when in 1883, it was suddenly deprived of this mode of operation by the abandonment of the canal. Steam equipment was installed at once and shortly thereafter the "Roller Process" was added.

The building was "L" shaped and of frame construction. The mill equipment occupied three floors, above which were the grain storage bins. The massive beams and girders supporting the structure were of hand-hewn walnut.

When powered by water, the mill's equipment consisted of four French buhrs of unknown size which were powered by an immense overshot wheel, probably 18 or 20 feet in diameter.

This was one of the best patronized mills of the county. Farmers, coming to the city, could do their buying while their grain was being ground. In the early days grain was brought to the mill in ox-carts and other primitive means of conveyance and if the farmer arrived at the mill late in the day, he oftentimes slept during the night in the mill office.

The grain processed in 1860 amounted to 88,000 bushels, valued at $103,000. Eight men were employed at that time and the mill's investment amounted to approximately $25,000.

Mr. Arnold Tresselt, of Fort Wayne, who furnished much of the above information, is the son of Herman Tresselt, the last survivor of the three sons of Christian Tresselt. Herman Tresselt's physical condition was such that an interview was impossible. Mr. Tresselt believes that the four stone buhrs used by the mill are buried on the site, which is now leased as a parking lot by its present owners, the Nickel Plate Railroad. He also informs us that after the mill was discontinued in 1920, all the equipment except the steam engine, was sold sight unseen, through the medium of a Millers' Trade Journal to a Mexican business man and the equipment was shipped and set up in a small town south of Mexico City, Mexico. Whether or not it is operating today is not known. The building was dismantled shortly after the sale of the equipment.

XXXIV. THE WILLIAM ROBINSON MILL

(Known also as Howe's Mill)

William Robinson commenced work in 1841 on a factory for the manufacture of doors, window sash and other wood products, completing the building in 1842.

Several histories give the location of this mill as Lot 6, Eliza Hanna's Subdivision, on the north side of Duck Street. The mill was located west of Clinton Street, a short distance south of the present Indiana National Guard Armory, on land now owned by the City of Fort Wayne, and being used as a municipal automobile parking lot.

The mill derived its power from the Wabash and Erie Canal. The mill race conveying water to this mill was also used by the City or Tresselt Mill and flowed northward from the canal to the Robinson Mill, its course then veered to the east and discharged into the St. Marys River through a stone flume. In the spring of 1940, workmen for the Gargara Company of Detroit, while excavating for the new Clinton Street Intercepter Sewer, broke into this old flume, and water backed from the river through the flume flooding the excavations. This condition was reliever only after raising the rollers at the Municipal Dam, which lowered the water level of the rivers. It must be borne in mind that the land on which this mill was located, has in recent years been filled to a depth of 8 or 10 feet with waste material and earth from excavations.

During the 31 years of this mill's existence, there were a number of changes in ownership. A little more than a year after the mill began operating, Mr. Robinson died and his interests were acquired by Hill and Williams, who, in turn, sold the business to James Howe. In the spring of 1852, Allen Hamilton and Jesse L. Williams purchased the plant and leased it to Reuben Fronefield. One year later, Robert T. Todd became a partner of Mr. Fronefield, doing business as Fronefield & Todd, who continued to operate the business until May 1, 1873. The machinery was afterward moved and the building vacated.

We have been unable to obtain information regarding the mill's equipment. The building was a two-and-one-half story frame building, which sat astride the mill race. The machinery, powered by re-action wheels, was purchased in Cleveland, Ohio, by Mr. Robinson.

XXXV. SUMMIT CITY WOOLEN MILLS

(French, Hanna & Co.)

Henry Rudisill, Sr., and Louis Wolke formed a partnership in the year 1843 and, during the same year, erected a four-story brick and stone building to be used as a flaxseed oil mill. The building, which was 45x44 feet in size, was located on Lot No. 9, County Addition to the City of Fort Wayne. The plant was on the south side of East Water Street (now Superior Street) between Barr and Lafayette Streets, on the north bank of the Wabash and Erie Canal, from whence the mill derived its power, by the use of an overshot wheel.

The original building with subsequent additions are the only water-powered mill buildings still standing in Allen County.

During 1844, the oil processing equipment was removed, and a carding machine installed, along with a set of cards and looms and auxiliary machinery. The firm was known as Henry Rudisill & Son.

Mr. Rudisill withdrew from the partnership in 1854 and Major Wolke became the sole owner of the business. There was no change in the firm name. He immediately added a steam engine to the plant's equipment but also continued the use of water power. Two years later (1856) a three-story addition of brick and stone was built to the south of the original building. With this addition the plant increased its force to 15 employees, maintaining 140 spindles.

Henry Rudisill, Sr., died in 1858 and the following year a partnership was formed composed of Henry Rudisill, Jr., R. Morgan French, and N. B. and M. B. Freeman, which continued under the firm name of Henry Rudisill & Son for two years (1861), when Mr. Rudisill and Messrs. Freeman retired, leaving Mr. French in control of the business, which he continued to operate until 1863, when Judge Samuel Hanna and his son, Willis, were admitted to the business. The firm was then known as French, Hanna & Co.

The year following this partnership, another building was added to the plant, closing the space north from the original building to Water Street, and about this time, O. W. Jefferds was also admitted as a partner.

The Fort Wayne City Directory of 1868-69 lists the firm's business and products as "Manufacturers of and wholesale and retail dealers in cloth, tweeds, jeans, satinets, flannels, blankets and woolen yarn, also dealers in wool."

The plant's capacity had now been increased to 720 spindles, handling 600 pounds of wool in 24 hours, and employing a maximum of 60 people day and night. A two-story building 25x40 feet in size was acquired on the north side of Water Street opposite the plant, for storage purposes.

Major Louis Wolke, one of the original partners of the business, died November 1, 1873, at the age of 66 years. He came to Fort Wayne in 1836 and, during the interval, erected the Wolke Building on Calhoun Street, which stands to this day.

When the Nickel Plate Railroad was constructed through Fort Wayne, the line followed the right-of-way of the former Wabash and Erie Canal, resulting in the cutting off of water power to French, Hanna & Co., and other concerns along the canal. A suit for damages was instituted, which reached the U. S. District Court at Indianapolis on November 1, 1883. Five years later, a receiver was appointed for the company and shortly thereafter the business was closed.

The Summit City Woolen Mills' buildings have for years been used for warehouse purposes, and only recently have the outer walls been refinished and some improvements provided.

PICTURES ON THE CD FROM SHARON HOOT.....FITCH AND GLOYD

Number	Description	Place taken
1099	Child in chair	B.A. STRAWN, Fort Wayne, IN Corner of Calhoun and Columbia
1101	Older child by chair	Same place as above, 1099
1102	3 Children, 2 boys and small girl	Barrows, 62 & 64 Calhoun FTW
1103	Small child in wicker chair	Barrows, 21 & 23 West Berry Street
1109	Little girl on rocking horse chair Outside background	no studio listed
1110	2 young girls, prob. 10-14	STRAWN, Corner Calhoun & Columb.
1111	6-8 year old girl in plaid dress holding stick or pole	No studio named, but looks like a studio background
1112	Mature young woman	Barrows, 21 & 23 West Berry
1113	Little girl, dark dress, hand on stand	JONES, Day & Night Gallery, FTW
1114	Adult Male, said to be Perry	No studio named, photo in oval frame
1116	Adult Male, no ID	No studio
1117	3 Children, older girl, boy, and small girl	Purcell, Macon, MO
1120	Same as above, 1117 but cropped	
1121	Lady 40 to 60 Oval, check that hair style	No studio ID
1122	Young lady, oval, prob. a dau. of Nathaniel. May be Ida.	Framed similar to Perry's photo
1124	Small infant/child, dark dress, white lace, not much hair if any The face looks the same as seen before	Sitting on small covered chair, with fabric draped behind
1125	Looks like Ida OR Sarah E.	No studio ID
~~1126~~	Older lady, poss. same as the one with odd old hairdo. Dark dress	Studio looking background
~~1127~~	Same as above, 1126, but cropped	
1128	2 young boys, with big Lord Fauntleroy collars	Barrows, 21 & 23 West Berry

1129	Same photo as 1128 only cropped	
1130	Very small child, lace collar, cloth draped chair	JONES, Fort Wayne, IN
1131	Girl, 5 or 6 in chair	HOVER, Fort Wayne, IN
~~1132~~	Very young boy	No studio listed -Wichita, Kans.
~~1133~~	2 boys prob. 5 to 8	New Hamilton, Fort Wayne sitting on a "rock" backdrop
1134	Same photo as 1133, cropped	
1135	Baby in covered chair	Barrows, Superior Finish in paint pallet, 62 & 64 Calhoun
~~1136~~	Very young child in chair Check Fair family	Harden, 204 E. Douglas Avenue Wichita, Kansas
1137	Young girl & hat, lace collar	No studio ID - City Gallery, Auburn, In. South of Court House Square
1138	Young infant in chair 6 months to a year prob.	B. A. STRAWN, same as first photo
1139	Young couple, looks like a wedding picture. Man in chair, woman standing	Barrows, 62 & 64 Calhoun
1140	Baby in chair, 6 to 9 months	Salzmann, Ground Floor, Studio 164 Calhoun, opposite Cathedral
1141	Child in coat and huge hat	No studio ID - ~~City Gallery Auburn, In.~~ L. T. Rise, Ft. Wayne
~~1142~~	Baby, 4 to 6 months Check Fair family	Hobbs & Rinner, Sterling, Kansas
1143	Young man in oval, with bow tie Compare him with Otis Gloyd	Miner Studio, Fort Wayne
1144	Young man, may be the one above	No studio ID
1145	Girl about 6 or 7 years	No studio ID
1146	Adult Male called "Amos"	In oval
1147-48	Amos	
1154	An outside scene looks like snow	Probably a snapshot
1155	2 girls with trees in background	Probably a snapshot
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Amos Fitch

1117 Perry Fitch

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Probably Charles Fitch but cannot be sure

1116 Prob. Charles Fitch

#1125 Sarah Elizabeth Fitch

#1122 May be Ida

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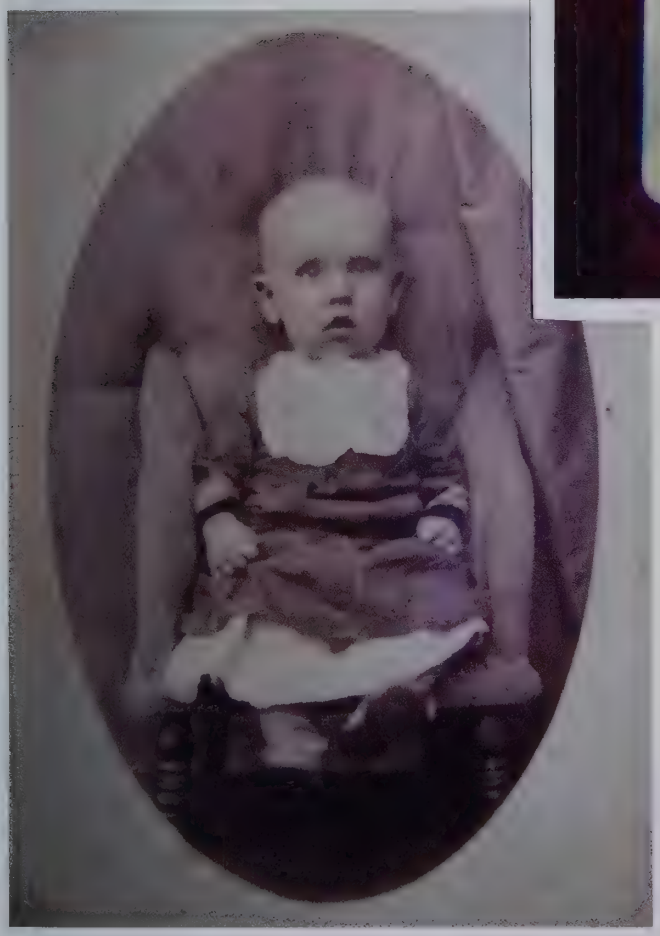

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Ground Floor
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Obituaries/

Fort Wayne

Fitch

WILLIAM J. FITCH, 70, of Fort Wayne, died Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2008, at his home. Born in Gary, he attended Valparaiso University and was the owner of CBF Sales Inc for 20 years. He was a member of Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, Waynedale Lodge F&AM, Scottish Rite, Mizaph Shrine, Class Directors and the Steel Drum Band. Survivors include his wife, Claire Fitch of Fort Wayne; and sons, Jeffrey (Lori) Fitch of Alameda, Calif. and James (Flory) Fitch of Fort Wayne. **Memorial service and Masonic service are 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, 2008, at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church.** Arrangements by D.O. McComb & Sons Maplewood Park Funeral Home, 4017 Maplecrest Road. Memorials to Shriner's Hospitals For Children, c/o Mizpah Shrine.

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The Gloyds

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Robert and Evlyn Gloyd

Reunions

Organizers are making plans and trying to locate former classmates for these upcoming reunions:

◆ A multi-year reunion of the Elmhurst High School classes of 1964 through 1972 will be at 6 p.m. Aug. 4. Contact Janet (Vanhoozen) Bolyard at 432-8323 or Mary Beth (Ewald) Schweyer at 637-9553 with questions, to volunteer or to update your address. Reservations are due June 1.

◆ The North Side High School class of 1961 reunion activities on Aug. 11 include: noon-3 p.m., Corvette Classic Museum tour; 5 p.m. party sign-in and cocktails; 7 p.m.

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Clover hunt gave kids, mom time together; given out as special gifts.

By K. E. Casey
kcasey@news-sentinel.com

If one four-leaf clover can bring you good luck, think what 3,000 of the charms can do. One Fort Wayne family has collected nearly that many in their hobby of four-leaf clover hunting.

When her children were growing up, Phyllis Perkins collected four-leaf clovers with them in the fields of their 18½-acre property as a family bonding exercise.

Now her daughter Sarah Ackerman, 24, still searches for the special leaves as a hobby and gives out her finds as presents to her students at Avilla Middle School.

"I find a patch and I just stop what I'm doing," Ackerman said.

Perkins used the clover hunt as a way to "keep track of us," Ackerman said.

"We talked a lot about what was happening at school and about their friends," Perkins said, adding "that was our family time." The al-

Other Deaths

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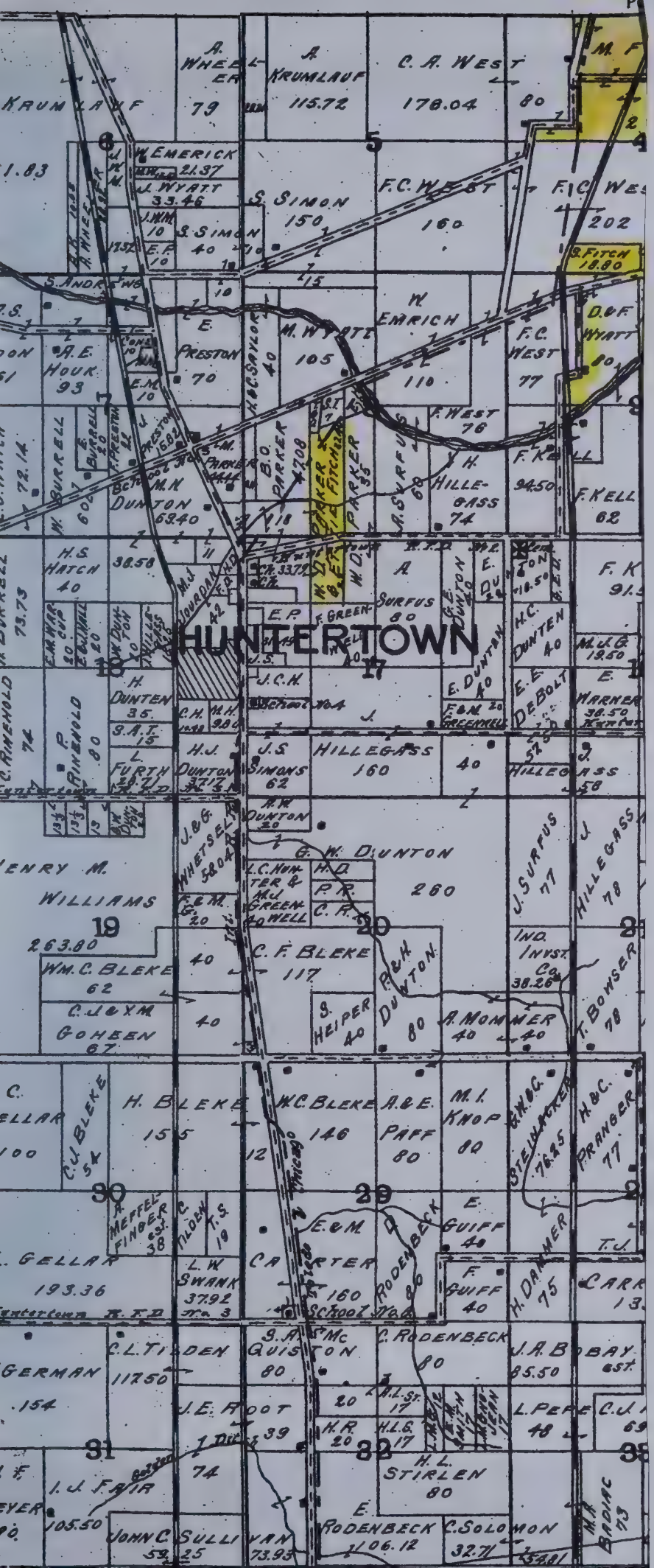
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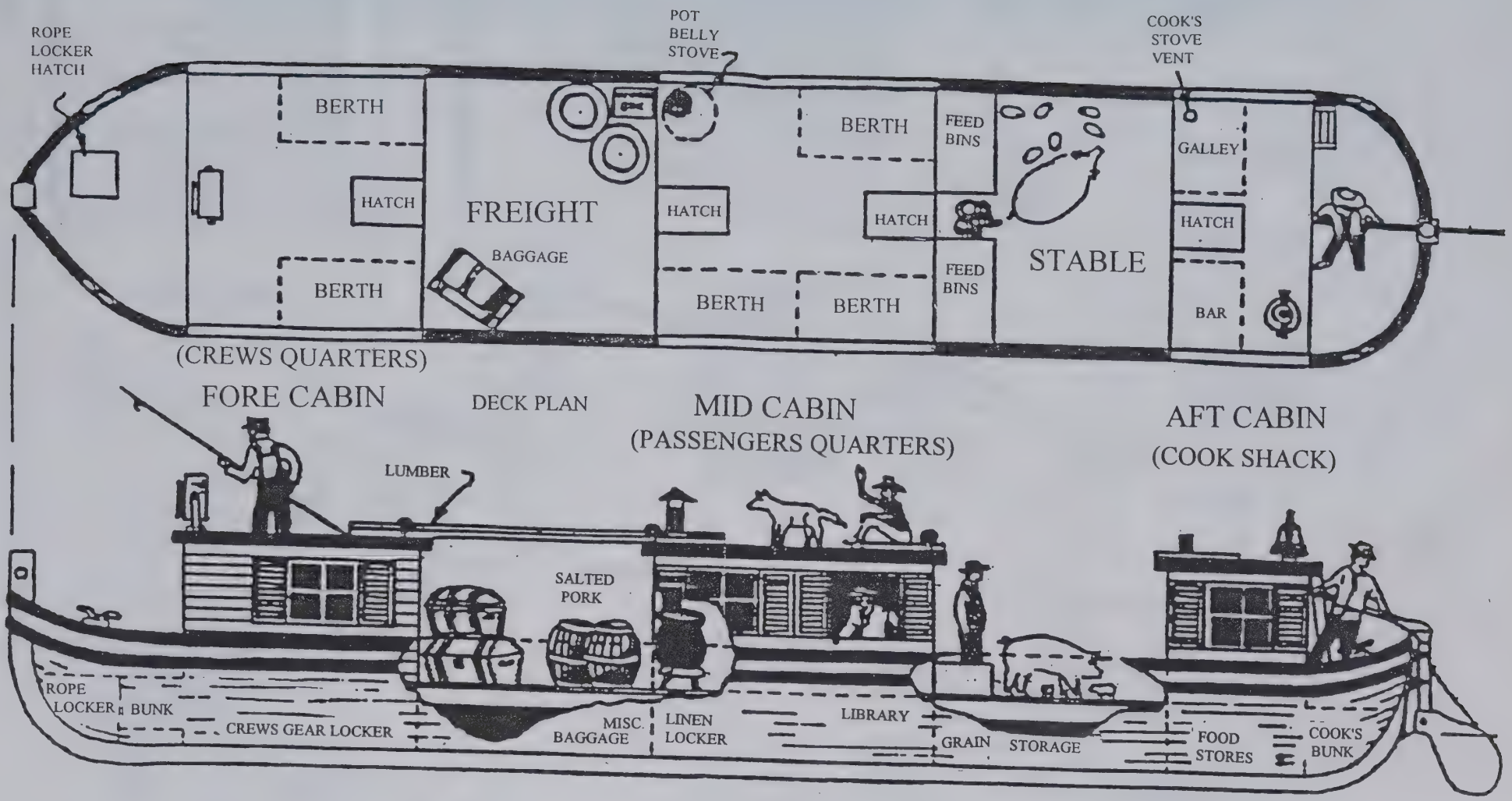

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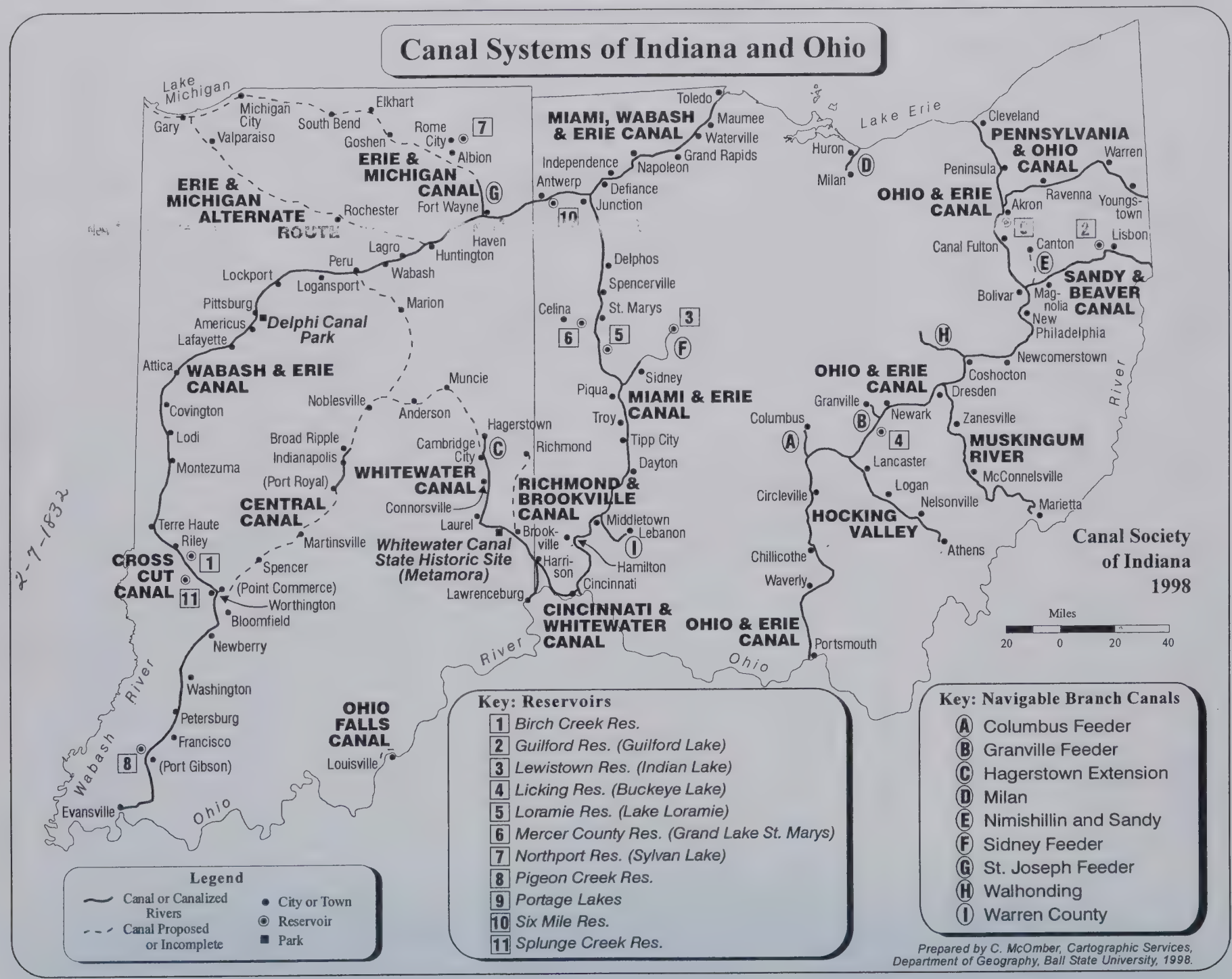

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WHY BUILD A CANAL?

In the early 1830s, Indiana was mainly a wilderness. Small towns were located along the rivers or large streams, which provided a way of transportation and water to turn mill stones. The only roads were old Native American paths or, at best, rutted dirt roads. The new state needed to attract settlers, but they had to have a way to get here.

Canals were the highest technology for the day. Railroads were in their infancy and were almost laughable if one looks at the first engines, plus the iron for the rails had to be shipped from England. Hoosiers wanted to keep jobs and money within the state. Trees or stone were available almost free and building a canal provided jobs for early settlers.

Canals were controlled bodies of water usually 4 feet deep and 40 feet wide. They consisted of levels of water with locks to lower or raise boats to another level. Boats could travel in both directions on a canal when pulled by horses or mules as opposed to travel on a river where the boat could only go downstream, be sold for lumber, and the passengers returned by horseback. The rivers also had the disadvantages of flooding in the spring and drying up in the summer.

Canals did depend on the rivers and large streams to keep them watered. Dams were built across these waterways that backed up pools of water known as reservoirs. When the river or stream could not furnish enough water for the canal during dry periods, these reservoirs released the stored water into the canal by way of a feeder canal from the reservoir to the main canal.

The Wabash & Erie Canal was the longest canal ever built in the United States. It was 468 miles long and extended from Toledo, OH to Evansville, IN. It was our first interstate transportation system and it worked. Towns often grew up along its route where none existed before and those already in existence grew larger. It is responsible for opening up northern Indiana for settlement. It not only provided a way to reach Indiana, it also gave settlers a way to send their crops and manufactured products elsewhere.

Canals had problems with leaks, animals digging holes in the banks, and low water at times, but the biggest enemy of the canals was man. Settlers blamed the canal for disease and blew up its reservoirs and dams. Canals were also costly to maintain. As railroad technology advanced, the trains, which were originally planned to feed the canal with goods from short distances in the interior, became more economical to build and operate since they could run year round.

Canals are often a forgotten era in Indiana's history. Begun in 1832 and lasting into the 1870s in some areas, they were engineering feats dug by men using shovels, wheelbarrows, pick axes, slip scoops, carts, mules and horses. Axes and saws cut down trees and hammers and chisels cut stone for canal structures such as locks, aqueducts, culverts, dams, and waste weirs.

Today we celebrate canals in parks such as this one in Delphi. Canal organizations try to preserve canal remains, restore canal structures and related buildings, and educate everyone about the important part canals played in settling Indiana.

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(1868)

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The new 60-foot Bicentennial Bridge, located in the Bicentennial Woods Nature Preserve, located off of Shoaff Road in Huntertown, officially re-opened following a ceremony on Thursday morning in Huntertown. It is estimated that over 90 people a month use the preserve's trails.

Bicentennial Woods bridge re-opened

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The bridge, which was completed on Saturday, October 11, was made up of nine, 30-foot beams, which were assembled in three pieces. The pieces were then leveled across the creek and assembled together.

"The second (set of beams) was the toughest," Boyd admitted. "We almost had a piece on that side, one in the river, and another over here. The beams shifted, they bent, I don't know how we eventually got them together."

The former bridge, built by the Boy Scouts as a Bicentennial Project in 1995, was actually repaired last November, according to Kissel. Remains of that bridge are being salvaged as part of an Eagle Scout project being done by Trevor Roby, and will be used for other areas of Bicentennial Woods' wetlands.

Kissel stated that nearly 90 people a month sign in at the preserve, and guessed that more people use the preserve who don't sign in.

Donn-Roll, Inc., of Fort Wayne, provided all the hardware for the bridge and UBC Pro-Build, in Huntertown, provided all of the lumber for the decking.

"This is an amazing project," Kissel continued. "It won't outlive the preserve, but it will be here for a long time. We know these lands will be here forever, and this bridge is going to be a part of this land for many years to come."

Bicentennial Woods is one of 20 nature preserves ACRES owns and maintains in Allen County. ACRES owns 65 preserves totaling 4,450 acres in the entire service area of northeast Indiana and northwest Ohio.

GEORGIA -- Mrs. Nettie Chauncey Johns, 92, died Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at Baptist Village following a long illness.

She was a native of Fargo, GA but had lived most of her life in Ware County. She was married to the late Euley Gordon Johns and was a daughter of the late William Sylvester Chauncey, Sr. and Emma Riberon Chauncey. She was preceded in death by three sisters, Sara Chauncey Gillis, Rilla Chauncey Cox, and Mary Chauncey Parrish; and four brothers, William Chauncey, Willis Chauncey, William Sylvester Chauncey, Jr., and Wildon Chauncey. She was a homemaker and farmer. She was a member of Newbern Baptist Church.

Survivors include a brother, Allen L. Chauncey (wife, Mary) of Jacksonville, FL; four sisters, Ollie Chauncey Shank (husband, Wilbur) of Churubusco, IN Arrie Chauncey Dann of Fulton, NY, Louise Chauncey Illum of Whittier, CA, and Alma Chauncey Forman of Jupiter, FL; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held Saturday, October 18 at Music Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial was at Oakland Cemetery.

Sympathy may be expressed by signing the online registry at www.musicfuneralhome.com.

of Churubusco; three sons, Zachary Thomas, Anthony David and Andrew John Pletcher, all of Churubusco; father, Tony E. (Beverly) Coe of South Whitley; brothers and sisters, Christina A. Miller of South Whitley, Carriea K. (Jon) Coe and Trent Eugene (Lisa) Coe, both of Seymour, Michael Miller of Florida, Elizabeth (Allen) Miller of Flippin, Ark., Christopher D. Coe of South Whitley, Tiffiany N. (Jamie) Detar of Fort Wayne and Jason A.Coe of South Whitley; grandparents, Duane (Shirley) Coe of Albion and David (Sandra) Smith of Columbia City; great-grandparents, John (Eleanor) Morgan of Merced, Calif.; in-laws, John (Sharon) Pletcher of Columbia City; two aunts and uncles, Barbara (Barry) Craig of Albion and Michelle (Ronald) Wilson of Albion; several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her aunt, Penny Eppelmann and cousins, Christopher, David, Shane, and Jamie Eppelmann.

Funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. today at DeMoney Grimes Funeral Home with Dr. C. James Cress officiating.

Memorial gifts may be given in Melissa's memory to Lutheran Heart Transplant Unit or Whitley County Habitat for Humanity.

To send family condolences or sign the guest register book, please visit www.demoneygrimes.com.

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The USO of Indiana, Inc. is conducting a holiday care package fundraising campaign to send care packages to our troops serving abroad. Operation Indiana Cares is sending packages focusing on Indiana troop members, Indiana based units, and relatives of Indiana residents that are deployed. USO care pack-

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Wayne and Linda Boyd of ADM Asphalt Drum Mixers, located in Huntertown, stand atop the new Bicentennial Bridge located in the Bicentennial Woods Nature Preserve, located off of Shoaff Road in Huntertown. ADM provided all the steel, design, and assembly of the bridge.

Bicentennial Woods footbridge re-opened

Community effort funds $20,000 project

by Ryan Schwab
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HUNTERTOWN - Flooding and ice caused by winter weather late last year and early this year had an effect on more than just the roadways.

Deep inside the high trees of the Bicentennial Woods Nature Preserve, just off of Shoaff Road in Huntertown, a footbridge that covers the Willow Creek was destroyed, leaving no dry path across the 80-acre preserve.

On Thursday, ACRES Land Trust announced the re-opening of a new 60-foot Bicentennial Bridge, giving safe passage across the Willow Creek.

The bridge was funded entirely by community donations and volunteers, saving ACRES an estimated $20,000.

"This project is a fine example of corporate donations, great volunteerism, and community support." - Jason Kissel, ACRES Executive Director

"Every aspect of this bridge has been donated," said ACRES Executive Director Jason Kissel. "This project is a fine example of corporate donations, great volunteerism, and community support. This is truly a great project."

ADM Asphalt Drum Mixers, of Huntertown, donated all the steel for the bridge, designed the bridge, constructed the bridge, and even painted it. Wayne Boyd of ADM said a group of volunteers spent seven mornings, for three to four hours each, assembling the bridge. A new trail had to be made to get equipment back to the site.

"We thought we were going to have to use horses. I mean look around, how do you get stuff back here?" Boyd said. "We figured out we could haul the steel back here, drop it down the hill (off to the south side of the creek) and use our equipment to get the beams to the creek bed. There really was no way we could have used horses after all."

With his four-wheeler, and a tractor supplied by Paul and Georgiana Dice, the steel beams were able to be set in place.

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est prize of her long political career, her campaign has less than $250,000 cash-on-hand (which is less than the $340,000 Lt. Gov. Becky Skillman has in her political war chest). She hasn't been able to run a TV or radio ad since early September.

(The Thompson campaign has just informed me it has raised $450,000 between October 1-15, outside of the latest reporting period, including the following contributions: $25,000 from EMILY'S List, $50,000 from the Democratic Governor's Association, $25,000 from the National Education Association, $25,000 from the American Federation of Teachers, $5,000 from the AFL-CIO and $10,000 from the Indiana Democratic Party.)

In 1994, GOP congressional challengers Mark Souder, David McIntosh and John Hostettler had a combined $30,000 on June 30. Yet they all ended up outraising Jill Long Thompson, Frank

If the Service Employees International Union (who last summer vowed to do "whatever it takes" for a Thompson victory) or the Democratic Governors Association saw polling as close as Selzer & Co. or Research 2000 polls over the past month (that show Thompson trailing by a handful of percentage points), wouldn't they have pumped money into a state where a Democrat would preside over the 2011 redistricting?

We're not hearing endorsements of Thompson's candidacy by the Five Families of Hoosier Democratic Politics: The Bayhs, O'Bannons, Carsons, Pastricks and Maherns. No word from former Gov. Joe Kernan (Thompson opposes all but one of the 27 recommendations of the nonpartisan Indiana Commission on Local Government Reform that was co-chaired by Kernan and Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard).

Or from Barack Obama, who at recent Indiana events

didate for House District 26, and U.S. Rep. Andre Carson. Thompson addressed a huge crowd prior to Obama's appearance at the Indiana State Fairgrounds earlier this month, but was ignored by the nominee even as she watched from the wings.

St. Joseph Democratic Chairman Butch Morgan characterized the Thompson campaign as "bizarre" in its lack of execution earlier this month. "You don't see the TV, the yard signs and the traditional elements of a campaign," said Danny Ernstes, UAW Labor 2008 coordinator. "The polling doesn't match the campaign," he said. In past Democratic campaigns, the UAW pumped hundreds of thousands of dollars into the campaigns of Govs. Bayh, O'Bannon and Kernan.

Last spring, the UAW backed Thompson's opponent Jim Schellinger with almost $600,000. Thompson feuded with the UAW and other unions after the primary and while that rift was

fers.

Schellinger, too, has passed on endorsing his former rival, in part because of the nasty TV ads and tactics she leveled leading up to the primary, though he did give her the remnants of his campaign war chest.

As in 1994, when the Republican wave built that ended Thompson's very credible congressional career, a Democratic wave appears to be taking shape in the final weeks of the 2008 campaign. So it begs the question: Why has Thompson been ignored?

Part of the reason is the execution of the campaign. At a *Howey Politics Indiana* forum in October 2007, both Thompson and Schellinger vowed not to use negative campaign tactics against each other. Thompson broke that promise last spring and it appears that hard feelings persist to this day.

Schellinger had the open and tacit support of the Democratic establishment, which tried and failed to have the party coalesce

vanished for most of the next seven weeks until the Democratic Convention. This was squandered time in generating earned media and rebuilding the Democratic coalition. Her campaign was advertising for field coordinators as late as August (Daniels had his field staff in place in 2007) and then fired the entire staff later that month.

There are increasing and clandestine murmurs within Democratic circles that a Thompson victory would upset too many scenarios between now and 2012. Many Democratic leaders appear to have reconciled themselves to four more years with Gov. Daniels, whose campaign says it has gathered the support of many Democrats and believes that it will pick up many of the new Obama voters seeking "change." Like him or not, Daniels has certainly been a change agent.

Would powerful Democratic House Speaker B. Patrick Bauer really want

Thompson? Hoosier governors traditionally pick the chair.

At least one source tells me that Thompson pressed Bayh for $1 million from his war chest and was rejected. Would the Jonathan Weinzapfels, Graham Richards, John Greggs, Bart Petersons and Thomas McDermotts (the beginning of my democratic short list for the 2012 governor's race) really be pleased with a "Gov. Thompson?"

In essence, this is an orphaned nominee - the first in modern Indiana to lack funds for TV ads in October, the first with virtually no field organization and with lingering rifts with labor. Jill Long Thompson shattered the glass ceiling in the May primary. But due to events within and beyond her control, it remains to be seen if she can do it again on November 4.

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Jefferson – cousin to
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My mother grew up on a farm in Indiana during the depression era in the 30's with an older brother and sister. Within the past few years, my mom discovered the attached picture in a frame hidden behind another picture. To her knowledge, this is the only picture of her and her siblings since pictures were rarely taken. She was very surprised to find it since she never even knew it existed. Her brother and sister have both passed away which is why this picture is so important to her.

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Flotow Brenda K 706 Oakdale Garrett.....357-4538
Flotow Richard 4859 Co Rd 36A.....925-2433
Flotow S 107 E Pearl.....238-4249
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Fluke Elton 550 S Franklin 837-3273
Fluke Phillip W 322 W Oak.....868-5132
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Foell John D 7083 Co Rd 11A Auburn.....637-9501
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Fogle Eric 602 S Cedar.....925-9306
Fogle H 5930 Co Rd 52 Auburn.....337-5369
Fogle Leslie 7007 Popp Rd Ft Wayne 627-5647
Fogle Martin 312 Hart.....337-5675
Fogle Richard 5930 Co Rd 52 Auburn.....337-5398
Fogle Tim D 13625 Henry Grabill.....627-5889
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Folden Fred K 111 S Franklin Garrett.....357-5468
Folden Fred K Jr 2124 Wayne 925-1877
Folds Michael 317 S Franklin Garrett.....357-3055
Foley John 4742 St Rt 8.....925-0554
Foley Pattern Co Inc 502 W 11th St.....925-4113
Foley Steve G 3134 Co Rd 27.....925-5636
Foltz Raymond 5644 Co Rd 68.....238-4260
Foodco Appliance Corp
405 E Marion 837-8311
Foote A M.....637-3698
Foote Elmer 1556 Co Rd 34 Auburn.....281-2163
Foote James R 6116 S Shore Dr Leo.....627-2878
Forbing Dan 16529 Tonkel Rd Leo.....627-3225
Forbing Fred J
7154 Co Rd 11A Auburn 637-5686
Ford Dennis A 195 E Union 837-7937
Ford Larry L 10806 E Rosewood Cir 637-6291
Ford Lee Ellen 336 Hickory.....868-2913

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SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in Eel River Township, in the County of Allen, State of Indiana, enumerated by me on the 12th day of June, 1870. 223

Post Office: Eel River

J. S. Tyler, Ass't Marshal.

	Dwelling-houses, numbered in the order of visitation	Families, numbered in the order of visitation	The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	Age	Sex	Color	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	Value of Real Estate owned	Value of Personal Estate	Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S., or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Father of foreign birth	Mother of foreign birth	If married within the year, state month	If married within the year, state month	Attended school within the year	Cannot read	Cannot write	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	Male Citizens of the U. S. 21 years of age and upwards	Male Citizens of the U. S. 21 years of age and upwards, whose right to vote is denied or abridged on other grounds than rebellion or other crime
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	82	83	Bonnell John	32	m	W	Farmer	1800	481	Pennsylvania									/	
2			Jane	30	f	W	Keeping house			Ohio										
3			Rebecca	12	f	W	at School			Indiana					/					
4			Ashman	9	m	W				Indiana										
5			John	8	m	W				Indiana										
6			Jane	4	f	W				Indiana										
7			Perry	1	m	W				Indiana										
8	83	84	Wicker Stephen	60	m	W	Farmer	1800	486	Ohio									/	
9			Julia	53	f	W	Keeping house			Ohio							/			
10			Thomas	14	m	W	works on Farm			Indiana										
11			John	4	m	W				Indiana										
12			Emma	1	f	W				Indiana										
13	84	85	Wicker Jefferson	26	m	W	Farmer	2000	345	Pennsylvania									/	
14			Mary	28	f	W	Keeping house			Indiana										
15			Everett	18	m	W	Works on Farm			Pennsylvania										
16	85	86	Weir Peter	38	m	W	Farmer	1200	300	Ohio									/	
17	86	87	White Reuben	40	m	W	Farmer	2500	400	France	/	/							/	
18			Francis	36	f	W	Keeping house			France	/	/								
19			Mary	20	f	W	Boarding			France	/	/								
20			Augustus	13	m	W	works on Farm			Indiana	/	/			/					
21			Mary	8	m	W	at School			Indiana	/	/			/					
22			Julia	9	f	W				Indiana	/	/						dumb		
23			Theresa	4	f	W				Indiana	/	/								
24			Jessie	3	m	W				Indiana	/	/								
25			Julia	1/12	f	W				Indiana	/	/	Apr							
26	87	88	Cuthbert Sam	51	m	W	Farmer	3000	370	Maryland									/	
27			Rachel	41	f	W	Keeping house			Indiana										
28			Isaac	20	m	W	works on Farm			Indiana										
29			Elizabeth	12	f	W	at School			Indiana					/					
30			Willis	15	m	W	works on Farm			Indiana					/					
31			Sarah	9	f	W	at school			Indiana					/					
32			Charles	6	m	W				Indiana										
33			Olive	4	f	W				Indiana										
34			Ida	2	f	W				Indiana										
35	88	89	Baird Robert	21	m	W	Farmer	3000	577	Ohio									/	
36			Mary	45	f	W	Keeping house			Ohio										
37			William	20	m	W	works on Farm			Indiana					/					
38			David	18	m	W	at home			Indiana					/					
39			Caroline	29	f	W	Keeping house			Ohio										
40			Mary	12	f	W	at School			Indiana					/					
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Post Office: Cellini

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		Flora	8	F	W				Indiana										
173	175	Denton Lucinda	45	F	W	Keeping house	4000		New York										
		Martha	17	F	W	at home			Indiana										
174	176	Runels Johnathan	25	M	W	Farmer	12,000	2072	Indiana									/	
		Runels Sarah	48	F	W	Keeping house			Ohio										
		Arcilla	25	F	W	at home			Indiana										
		Ella	21	F	W	at home			Indiana										
		Etta	19	F	W	at home			Indiana										
		William	12	M	W	works on farm			Indiana										
		Ida	2	F	W				Indiana										
		Brammer	17	M	W	works on Farm			Indiana										
		William	24	M	W	works on farm			Michigan									/	
		Thomas Johnathan	68	M	W	Minister	4000	800	Pennsylvania									/	
175	177	Fitch Nathaniel	54	M	W	Farmer	7000	1880	Pennsylvania									/	
		Mary	51	F	W	Keeping house			Pennsylvania										
		Jane	25	F	W	at home			Ohio										
		Stevens	21	M	W	works on Farm			Indiana									/	
		Lucelia	19	F	W	at home			Indiana					1					
		Lancelia	14	F	W	at home			Indiana					1					
		Harvey	17	M	W	works on Farm			Indiana					1					
		Sarah	15	F	W	at home			Indiana					1					
		Allen	13	M	W	works on Farm			Indiana					1					
		Ida	11	F	W				Indiana					1					
		Emmeline	9	F	W				Indiana					1					
		David	5	M	W				Indiana										
		John	18	M	W	works on Farm			Ohio										
176	178	Hall Jacob	52	M	W	Farmer	12,000	6700	France	/	/							/	
		Catharine	48	F	W	Keeping house			Pennsylvania										
		Mary	13	F	W	at home			Indiana	/									
		John	12	M	W	works on Farm			Indiana	/									
		Emma	10	F	W	at home			Indiana	/									
		Matthew	8	M	W				Indiana	/									
		Edna	3	F	W				Indiana	/									
		Mary	1	F	W				Indiana	/									
		James	30	M	W	works on Farm			New York									/	
		Catharine	20	F	W	Housekeeping			Indiana										
177	179	Hall George	54	M	W	Farmer	10,000	12,480	France	/	/							/	
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By JAIME COURTNEY
H-P Dowagiac Correspondent

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Water sports beckon every child, especially if swimming lessons are thrown in. With programs designed to suit every temperament and taste, the camp counters summer boredom with activities that are both recreational and educational.

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Students pay $1 per day, and for that they get transportation from Dowagiac, a healthy lunch and swimming lessons if needed.

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Mast said students spend the mornings playing tether ball, soccer or basketball, or taking swimming lessons. After lunch, they can boat, fish and swim in Cable Lake.

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St. Joseph

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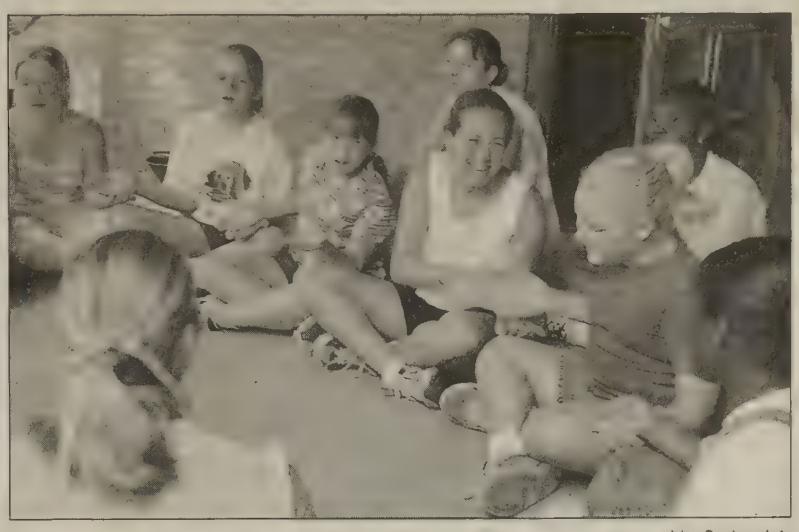

Jaime Courtney photo

OLD-FASHIONED FUN: Kids who attend Dowagiac Union schools beat summer boredom at Fitch Camp on Cable Lake. Here, some children play a word game.

■ St. Joseph

Her career choice is set at age 14

By AMI HENDRICKSON
H-P Correspondent

ST. JOSEPH — Summer Demarest plans to be a veterinarian and even though she's only 14, it's no idle dream.

The Scottdale girl finished both seventh- and eighth-grades while being home schooled during the just-ended school year. She's looking forward to attending Andrews Academy in Berrien Springs as a freshman next fall and is already exploring her options for veterinary programs when she's ready for college.

Summer loves animals. On Tuesdays, she volunteers for several hours at the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan in Benton Harbor.

"I clean, mop and sweep," Summer says. "I give the animals food and water and sometimes toys. And sometimes I get to visit with the animals."

She doesn't mind the less than glamorous work.

"I love seeing all the animals," she says. "The dogs and puppies are my favorite. Whenever they have a new batch of puppies, I get to put them in their cages."

Summer is quick to point out the Humane Society is a "no-kill shelter.

"That means that they keep the animals until they get adopted," she says.

"There are a lot of animals that get to go to a home in a week or two. But there are some cats that have been there since before I started working there. It makes you feel kind of sorry for them. There are one or two that have some minor things wrong with them, but they are the sweetest cats."

She also points out that the Humane Society shelters more than just dogs and cats. "We've got a turtle that got hit and his shell was damaged. He's doing fine. And there is an iguana and a couple of birds, too."

Of course, Summer's favorite animal is a member of the family. Benny is a 7-month old, yellow mixed-breed puppy who worships the ground she walks on.

Summer sounds like a proud parent when she tells of his exploits and accomplishments. "The vet accuses me of spoiling him," she admits. "But he's so cute."

Summer is the youngest of the Demarest's four children. She and a brother and sister were adopted six years ago. Her parents, Aaron and Wendy Demarest own and operate Gilead Elder Care.

When she's not working with animals, Summer enjoys playing the piano, swimming and riding her bike.

In school, her favorite classes were science and math. "I also liked studying Shakespeare in English," she says "Especially Hamlet."

She turns 15 in September, and is looking forward to finding a job and driving next year.

But that's all in the future. For now, she is content to spend the summer soaking up the sun and enjoying the company of her animal friends.

H-P photo by Mark Shephard

ANIMAL LOVER: Summer Demarest, shown with her good friend Ben, volunteers at the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan and plans to become a veterinarian.

Good kids

Summer Demarest

Age: 14
School: Will be freshman at Andrews Academy, Berrien Springs
Family: Parents, Aaron and Wendy Demarest; brother, John, 17; sisters, Sunshine, 20, and Sylvia, 16
Interests: Working with animals, playing the piano, swimming, riding her bike
Plans: Wants to be a veterinarian

We're looking for a few good kids. Send nominations to "Good Kids," c-o The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, Mich. 49085.

■ Berrien Springs

Pickle mania will strike beginning at 9 Saturday night

By H-P STAFF

BERRIEN SPRINGS — You can fling them, toss them, smash them and even eat them.

Just about anything anyone's ever thought of doing with a pickle will be done during this weekend's Fourth of July Pickle Festival in Berrien Springs. There will be pickle recipe and decorating contests, pickle tasting, and pickle smashing, tossing and flinging competitions.

Grand Dillmeister Chuck Voytovick, who will lead the Fourth of July Parade, said this year's events include a Peanut Air Drop prior to Sunday night's fireworks at the high school. Youngsters finding red, white and blue peanuts will be eligible for prizes such as sunglasses and beach balls.

Other attractions include food vendors, a midway, petting zoo, Big Wheels race, and an 1860s-style baseball game.

"It's definitely a family type of day," Voytovick said. "You can spend the whole day here."

The festival gets under way with a street dance at 9 p.m. Saturday.

Here is the schedule for Sunday, July 4:

■ 7:30-11:30 a.m. — Firefighters' pancake breakfast at fire station.

■ 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. — Kids' games on the midway at Memorial Park and the Courthouse Square.

■ Noon-3 p.m. — Pickle recipe contest, senior center lemonade stand.

■ 12:30-3:30 p.m. — Petting zoo at Memorial Park; Curious Kids' Museum's StarLab/Star Reach planetarium, American Legion Hall, 112 N. Bluff.

■ 1 p.m. — Charles Kesterke Memorial Big Wheels Road Race, North Main Street.

■ 1- 2:30 p.m. — Pickle decorating, Pickle Toss, Pickle Smash, North Main Street and Memorial Park.

■ 1- 3:30 p.m. - Pickle tasting, downtown.

■ 2 p.m. — Pickle Fling on Main Street.

■ 2 p.m. — National bell ringing ceremony.

■ 4 p.m. — Fourth of July Parade followed by tire burn-out contest and music by Riversong Music Society in Memorial Park.

■ 6 p.m. — Cranberry Boggers 1860s-style baseball game, high school field.

■ 8:30 p.m. — Peanut Air Drop over high school track.

■ Dusk — Fireworks at high school.

■ Cassopolis

$250,000 settles fatal crash suit

By SCOTT AIKEN
H-P Staff Writer

CASSOPOLIS — DaimlerChrysler Corp. and an auto dealership have paid $250,000 to settle a lawsuit alleging an Edwardsburg teacher was killed by a car air bag meant to protect her.

The wrongful death suit in Cass Circuit Court claimed that Elizabeth Pletcher suffered fatal head injuries when the air bag of her Dodge Neon expanded with great force during a head-on crash with another car on an icy road.

The settlement payment, minus lawyer fees and costs, goes to Pletcher's husband, Scott Pletcher, and their son, Cody, who was 3 at the time of the 1995 crash. The case was set for trial July 20.

Judge Michael Dodge recently signed an order distributing settlement proceeds and dismissing the suit. The plaintiffs had sought $2.49 million, but the case settled when both parties agreed to the amount recommended by a mediation panel of three lawyers.

DaimlerChrysler maintained that the vehicle's high speed and the severity of impact, not a faulty air bag or restraint system, caused the 35-year-old woman's death.

In settling the case, defendants DaimlerChrysler Corp. and Riedman Motor Co., the Indiana dealership that sold the 1995 model car, admit no wrongdoing.

Pletcher, a special education teacher at Edwardsburg schools, and the second driver, Tracy L. Batdorf, 28, of Dowagiac, both died as the result of injuries suffered in the Jan. 6, 1995, crash, state police said.

The accident occurred at 7:15 a.m. on Dailey Road south of Pine Lake Road and north of Edwardsburg. Both drivers were alone in their vehicles, and Pletcher, of South Bend, was on her way to work.

Batdorf was not belted into her 1978 Oldsmobile, and she died at the scene, troopers said.

Pletcher was wearing a seatbelt-shoulder harness and her air bag deployed, reports show. She suffered a leg injury and was talking after the crash.

She was transported to St. Joseph's Medical Center in South Bend, and died Jan. 7 as the result of brain damage suffered in the crash, according to a death certificate.

Snow was falling at the time of the crash, and the roads were slippery, police said. There were no witnesses other than the drivers. The cars collided at the center of the road, and the vehicles came to rest off the snow-covered pavement on opposite sides, investigators reported.

The plaintiff's lawyer, Kevin Haight of Conybeare Law Office in St. Joseph, said such cases are directing "tremendous" national attention to air bag safety.

"Air bags are not supposed to kill you," he said. "It was virtually admitted that there was nothing else that caused her brain injury other than her air bag."

He said Pletcher should have survived the crash, noting that tests indicate the vehicles collided at low to moderate speed.

At 5 feet, 5 inches tall, Pletcher was an average-sized person, and was wearing her safety belt harness at the time of the crash. A manufacturer's warning says that relying on an air bag alone, or sitting too close to the steering wheel, could cause injury during a crash.

To prepare for the trial, the plaintiff hired experts to test the Pletcher car's air bag.

The plaintiff's theory of the case was that the air bag expanded with too much velocity, and that Pletcher's belt restraint did not lock quickly enough, allowing the bag to hit her face with enough force to kill.

Peter Kellett, the lawyer who represented DaimlerChrysler in the case, said the defendants believe the severity of the crash caused the deaths.

The crash was comparable to a car hitting a brick wall at a speed in the high 20 mph to low 30 mph range, he said, and unfortunately, impact of that magnitude is sometimes fatal.

"We do not believe her death was due to a defect in the vehicle," he said.

The smaller Neon collided with a larger, heavier vehicle, and the difference may have been a factor, he said.

The Neon is not prone to any particular air bag problem, Kellett said.

"It's a very safe vehicle, and the accident statistics are very good."

MDOT

From page 1C

County received enhancement grants, including:

■ A $103,220 grant with $55,580 from Coloma Township for a 1.7-mile Paw Paw Lake Trail project to widen the shoulders of Paw Paw Lake Road from Little Paw Paw Lake Road to Blatchford Road and Paw Paw Avenue from Paw Paw Lake Road to the township line.

■ A $40,000 grant with $10,000 from the city of Watervliet to build a 0.61-mile path on the north side of Paw Paw Avenue and Riverside Drive from the township line to Michigan 140 in Watervliet.

■ A $14,910 grant with $6,390 from St. Joseph Township for a pathway bridge on the old Interstate 94 penetrator property on the east side of the developing recreational complex at I-94 and Lincoln Avenue. The bridge is part of a proposed Wilderness Trail Project.

Several other grants will beautify and enhance entries into Michigan with new signs, trees and larger right-of-ways. Projects include:

■ New "Welcome to Michigan" signs on eastbound I-94 at the state line near New Buffalo and on northbound U.S. 31 at the state line in Bertrand Township. The signs are part of Gov. John Engler's "Beautify Michigan" initiative. Each sign will be lit 24 hours. Grants for each is $48,000 with a $12,000 match from MDOT.

■ A study for aesthetic improvements to Michigan 51, U.S. 31 in Niles from Main Street to the city limits, and Main Street from Front Street to M-51. The $39,280 federal grant and $9,820 MDOT match will create plans for "streetscaping."

■ Landscaping of the U.S. 31 entrance to the state in Bertrand Township that includes planting trees and flowers. Money will also be used to maintain landscaping along four miles of U.S. 31, from the Indiana state line to U.S. 12. The grant is $82,560 with a $20,640 MDOT match.

■ A corridor management plan for protecting and enhancing scenery along 15.2 miles of U.S. 31 from the Indiana state line to Berrien Springs. The grant is $40,000 with a $10,000 match from MDOT.

■ Landscaping of 3.5 miles along I-94 from the Indiana state line to U.S. 12 in New Buffalo Township. Plans include a new "Welcome to Michigan" sign, trees and flowers. The grant is $48,800 with a $12,200 MDOT match.

■ Acquiring seven-tenths of a mile of right-of-way for scenic strips along the U.S. 31 entrance to Michigan from the state line to Bertrand Road in Bertrand Township. The grant is $188,00 with a $47,000 MDOT match.

■ Installation of 900 feet of fence on the Amtrak right-of-way near Elm Street in Three Oaks. The grant is $27,360 with a $6,840 MDOT match.

Berrien County commissioner released

ST. JOSEPH — Berrien County Commissioner Harry Caldwell III posted bond Saturday morning and was released after an overnight stay in the Berrien County Jail.

Caldwell was placed in custody Friday afternoon after pleading not guilty to a misdemeanor embezzlement charge before Judge John Hammond in Berrien Trial Court. Hammond set bond for Caldwell at $1,000. Caldwell did not post bond until 10 a.m. Saturday, jail officials said.

The three-term commissioner, who represents much of Benton Township, was arrested in May for allegedly taking $330 from the manager's office at the T. J. Maxx store where he worked as a head cashier. The charge, which carries a maximum penalty of one year in jail, was authorized last week by the Allegan County prosecutor, who was appointed to the case after Berrien County Prosecutor Jim Cherry disqualified himself, citing a possible conflict of interest.

Investigators say a store video camera caught an employee on tape taking money from the office.

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ASHIONED FUN: Kids who attend Dowagiac Union schools beat summer boredom at Fitch Camp e Lake. Here, some children play a word game.

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"It's definitely a family type of day," Voytovick said. "You can spend the whole day here."

The festival gets under way with a street dance at 9 p.m. Saturday.

Here is the schedule for Sunday, July 4:

■ 7:30-11:30 a.m. — Firefighters' pancake breakfast at fire station.

■ 1 p.m. — Charles Kesterke Memorial Big Wheels Road Race, North Main Street.

■ 1- 2:30 p.m. — Pickle decorating, Pickle Toss, Pickle Smash, North Main Street and Memorial Park.

■ 1- 3:30 p.m. - Pickle tasting, downtown.

■ 2 p.m. — Pickle Fling on Main Street.

■ 2 p.m. — National bell ringing ceremony.

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Monday, June 28, 1999

SECTION C

An evening at home with far-flung friends

At the end of the evening, I realized with amusement that it was the kind of evening no one could have experienced even a few short years ago.

It was actually pretty ordinary, in an extraordinary, end-of-the-century sort of way. By coincidence, this night was filled from afar with a few of the wandering friends I've made over the years. And it demonstrated how all their wandering is made so much easier by the jet travel and communications gizmos that are becoming as natural and automatic in our lives as breathing. What was once marvelous to behold is now old hat.

I began this quiet evening at home in little ol' St. Joe with a most old-fashioned form of correspondence, letter writing. As I sat down to write, I thought about how my mother, with faithful regularity on evenings after the family was fed and the dishes were done, would sit down at the kitchen table and in beautiful penmanship write her good friend Kate or her good friend Virginia, women she met during their nursing school days of the '30s.

Ted Hartzell

But my less-than-wonderful longhand and that memory were the evening's only links with the past. The letters, with checks as wedding gifts, were to two young women on the East Coast I had never met. They are the daughters of Ed, a man I met in 1990 when he redesigned a newspaper at which I was working.

Ed's business umbilical cord is the airport. As a self-employed man-about-continent, Ed's most important criterion in moving from Akron, Ohio, several years ago was to find a home within half an hour of a major airport. And so he and his wife chose the pleasant confines of Rock Hill, S.C., near Charlotte, N.C. A very 1990s sort of decision. ("Let's see, dear, where *shall* we live now?")

And it is at airports — Chicago or South Bend — that Ed and I catch up, face to face, on one another's lives every year or so when he is passing through, as we did a couple weeks ago after the usual e-mail tennis game of back-and-forth messages.

My next communication came from the car phone of a new acquaintance. She had just dropped her kids off with her parents at a midway point a few hours from St. Joe, and was headed back to St. Joe for an overnight stay at home, catching a plane the next day at O'Hare for a business trip to San Francisco. (Two weeks ago it was Aspen, another horrible place to visit!) Her car phone call was a response to the message I had left on her home answering machine, asking if she could slot some time for me on her Palm Pilot, that handy little digital organizer of modern life.

The third and final communication was a phone call from California. It was from my friend Gregg, galloping Gregg, who is temporarily "on site" at some newspapers in California.

Gregg had settled down in recent years in his new chosen city of Albuquerque and was working as an investment counselor for Prudential. For the same reasons that Ed chose Rock Hill, S.C., Gregg, living in South Bend at the time, had chosen Albuquerque — he liked it, and it had an airport to get him anywhere. He made the choice when he was working as an installer/trainer for newspaper computer systems.

Now he is back at that game, apparently drawn by the great food they serve on airplanes, but this time working for yet another huge corporation. Albuquerque is still home for Gregg, whom I met at the same newspaper Ed redesigned, but now Gregg is once again shuffling from city to city and motel to motel. And, in true turn-of-the-century fashion, Gregg is dating a woman from Indiana. Gregg's life seems like quite a leap from his boyhood days in Bloomington in southern Indiana, as the son of a shoe store owner.

Gregg wisecracked about all the business people in airports who can't seem to go anywhere without being tethered 24 hours a day to their laptops and cell phones and so on. But when I asked for his new telephone numbers — and everyone seems to have several numbers these days — he seemed to sigh and reluctantly acknowledge he had a whole bunch. One of them is an 800 number for a private investment business Gregg intends to run on the side. That number connects automatically with his cell phone, so he too is never out of touch with business.

Ah, life in the '90s!

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MDOT hands out $1.12 million

Funding benefits projects from South Haven to Three Oaks — and a dozen more in between

By SUSAN REIDY
H-P Staff Writer

SOUTH HAVEN — The city will have financial help turning back time to restore the lightkeeper's house to its 1870s' appearance.

A $55,968 federal grant allocated by the Michigan Department of Transportation will help pay for the first phase of restoration of the dwelling, which overlooks Lake Michigan. The city will chip in $13,992 for the project.

The project is one of 14 in Van Buren and Berrien counties being funded with $1.12 million in federal Transportation Enhancement funds, according to an MDOT announcement.

Across the state, $64 million was awarded for 219 projects in 1999 and 2000. Applications will be accepted immediately for 2000 and 2001 allocations.

Enhancement funds cover projects such as facilities for pedestrians and bicycles, purchase of scenic easements or historic sites, landscaping, preservation of abandoned railway corridors and archaeological planning and research.

Aluminum siding on the lightkeeper's dwelling, which houses the Michigan Maritime Museum, will be removed, said Barbara Kreuzer, museum executive director. Windows and doors will be replaced and the kitchen will be updated. The detached coal shed, built in the 1920s, will be restored to its original appearance.

Historical landscaping will be restored, including an iron fence on the west side of the property; as will the stairway used to reach the lighthouse and the flag pole used to hoist signal flags.

Restoration will be guided by photos of the lighthouse in the 19th century, Kreuzer said. The work will take about six months to complete, she said.

The project is just one phase of work at the historic buildings. Plans also call for an addition to the facility for research and education in Great Lakes maritime history.

Also in Van Buren County, $42,560 was awarded to MDOT for installing decorative and chain-link fence along Amtrak's right-of-way in Decatur, from west of Williams Street to East Sherwood Street. The fence will enhance the view for train passengers and residents, and also improve safety for pedestrians.

The city of St. Joseph received $337,400, the biggest enhancement grant awarded in the two counties. The money will be used to build a one-third of a mile trail and pedestrian bridge over CSX railroad tracks starting at Lake Court and continuing to the south end of Lions Park. Construction will start in the spring of 2000.

Money will also pay for park benches, lighting and trash cans on portions of the Howard Family Recreational Path, which will extend from the Bicentennial Bridge to Lions Park by the end of this summer; and an observation deck and more parking at Lookout Park on Lakeshore Drive. The city will match the grant with $144,600.

St. Joseph's trail is one piece of about seven different segments that are planned throughout Southwest Michigan. Planners hope all the segments will eventually connect.

Three other paths in Berrien

See MDOT, page 2C

The joy of racing — or not

Most Greater Benton Harbor Area Soap Box Derby racers were overjoyed to tear out of the starting gates (right) over the weekend in Benton Harbor. But 9-month-old Michael Martin (above) of Benton Harbor made it plain for all to see that he didn't want to be behind the wheel of his brother Joey's racer.

H-P photos by Jason Wambsgans

■ Stevensville

Cancer walk raises record $237,000

By JEAN BONNETTE
H-P Staff Writer

STEVENSVILLE — Marathon walkers raised a record $237,000 for cancer research and education in the weekend's American Cancer Society Relay for Life at Lakeshore High School's Al Stockman Stadium.

After all of the teams reported their collections, the fourth annual event exceeded the expectations of organizers. The $237,000 topped by $67,000 the 1998 record collections of $170,000, said Jill Gargano Elder, community development director for the Cancer Society.

Lightning and high winds late Saturday night forced participants into the high school gymnasium for a couple of hours during the 24-hour marathon, but they continued their laps until they could move back outside. "The perseverance of all the participants just amazes me," Gargano Elder said.

An estimated 2,100 people took part in the event, which began Saturday morning and ended Sunday morning and carried an Olympics theme. Officials said 172 cancer survivors took part in the opening ceremony's "victory lap."

About 60 percent of the funds raised will remain in the area for education, prevention, early detection and patient services. The other 40 percent is used nationally to support the Cancer Society's research programs and other national programs.

Receiving prizes for the most money raised was Whirlpool Corp.'s Side By Sides walking team, which raised more than $19,000.

Linda Weber won the individual category by raising more than $3,850.

Lakeshore Data Service Inc. received "best decorated tent" for its U.S.A. theme that featured the Statue of Liberty soaking her feet. The Loopholers team members, representing the Berrien County Bar Association, were crowned "best dressed" with their Scottish kilts.

■ Benton Harbor

WWII foes flying in for public viewing

By H-P STAFF

BENTON HARBOR — Two of the most celebrated aircraft of World War II will be on display this weekend at the Southwest Michigan Regional Airport.

"Sentimental Journey," the most fully restored B-17G, and the only flyable Heinkel HE-111 will be open for tours July 2-5.

Daylight bombing raids by B-17s over Europe inflicted considerable damage on the enemy and helped bring World War II to an end. The twin-engine Henkel HE-111 was flown by the Luftwaffe during the Battle of Britain and throughout World War II.

Both aircraft belong to the Mesa, Ariz.-based Arizona Wing of the Confederate Air Force. Many hours of volunteer labor have gone into refitting the planes, which visit more than 60 cities each year all across the nation.

The planes are scheduled to arrive at noon Friday and will be parked on the west side of the main terminal ramp. Tours will run from noon until dusk Friday and 9 a.m. to dusk Saturday through Monday. There is no admission charge but donations are accepted.

"Sentimental Journey" was built in November 1944 and served in the Pacific. After the war, it was transferred to Elgin Field, Fla., for service as an air-sea rescue craft. It was later used to fight forest fires.

It has a wingspan of 103 feet 9 inches and is 74 feet 4 inches long. It is powered by four Wright Cyclone engines that develop 1,200 horsepower at takeoff. The plane consumes 200 gallons of fuel an hour and has a range of 3,750 miles.

The HE-111 was the Luftwaffe's first modern medium bomber. It was first used in combat in 1937 during the Spanish Civil War. The plane that will be on display was Generalissimo Franco's personal transport and the only one left regularly flying today.

The plane has two 1,520-horsepower Rolls-Royce Merlin engines and is 53 feet 9 inches long with a wingspan of 74 feet 2 inches. It has a top speed of 270 mph and a range of 1,212 miles.

B-17G (above) and Heinkel H-111 were foes during WWII

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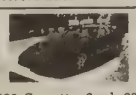

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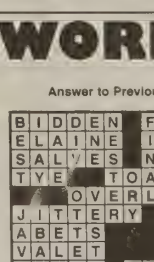

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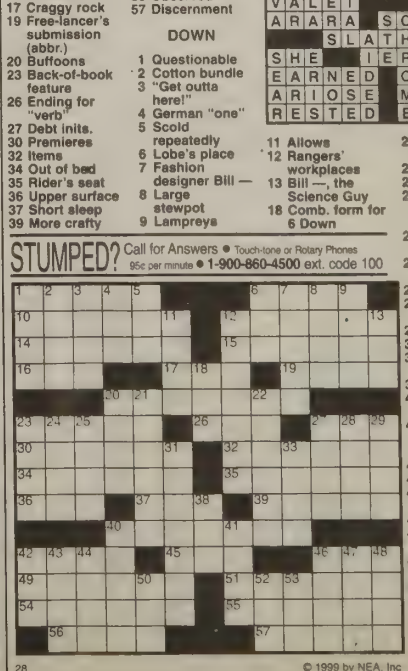

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SHIONED FUN: Kids who attend Dowagiac Union schools beat summer boredom at Fitch Camp Lake. Here, some children play a word game.

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EN SPRINGS — You can toss them, smash them and em.

ut anything anyone's ever doing with a pickle will be g this weekend's Fourth of le Festival in Berrien here will be pickle recipe ting contests, pickle tast- ckle smashing, tossing and dors, a midway, petting zoo, Big Wheels race, and an 1860s-style baseball game.

"It's definitely a family type of day," Voytovick said. "You can spend the whole day here."

The festival gets under way with a street dance at 9 p.m. Saturday.

Here is the schedule for Sunday, July 4:

■ 7:30-11:30 a.m. — Firefighters' pancake breakfast at fire station.

■ 1 p.m. — Charles Kesterke Memorial Big Wheels Road Race, North Main Street.

■ 1- 2:30 p.m. — Pickle decorating, Pickle Toss, Pickle Smash, North Main Street and Memorial Park.

■ 1- 3:30 p.m. - Pickle tasting, downtown.

■ 2 p.m. — Pickle Fling on Main Street.

■ 2 p.m. — National bell ringing ceremony

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